This worksheet outlines some common dependent care expenses that in most cases qualify for reimbursement using tax free money set aside in a Dependent Care Reimbursement Account (DCRA). Use the table below to determine what your current expenses are. Calculating this figure will provide you with a good estimate of how much money you should set aside in your DCRA.

Remember, that in order to qualify for this account you must be currently employed. If you are married, your spouse must also be employed, in school full time, or mentally/physically incapable of providing dependent care for themselves or your other federal tax dependents.

In estimating your expenses, keep in mind that any dependent care expenses you reimburse using your DCRA may NOT be claimed for tax credit when you file your income tax return. You do still need to file a Form 2441 or Schedule 2 with your taxes to inform the IRS that you have been in a Flex Plan. The maximum amount you may contribute to your DCRA is $\$ 5,000 ; \$ 2,500$ if you are married and you and your spouse will be filing separate income tax returns. However, the amount you set aside also cannot be more than your income or your spouse's, whichever is less. If your spouse also participates in a reimbursement account at his/her employer, you should consider this amount when completing this worksheet.

|  | $\begin{array}{c}\text { PRIOR YEAR } \\ \text { ACTUAL EXPENSES }\end{array}$ |  |
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| DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES |  |  | \(\left.\begin{array}{c}PROJECTED EXPENSES FOR \\

THIS PLAN YEAR\end{array}\right)\)

TOTAL PROJECTED DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED THIS PLAN YEAR

