



Licensed Child Care Programs Available to Provide Child Care for Essential Workers

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Office of Child and Family Services (OCFS), MaineAEYC and Maine Roads to Quality Professional Development Network are working together to create a temporary listing of the child care programs that are open and able to offer care to children of essential workers.

According to the Child Care Subsidy Rules (10-148 Chapter 6 page 9) from OCFS, Licensed Child Care include the following types of care:

Child Care Center – refers to an entity licensed by the Department in which a Child Care Provider maintains or otherwise provides Child Care Services for compensation, for any part of a day, for thirteen (13) or more Children. This includes Out-of-School Time Programs who serve children and youth ages 5-12 year before and after the traditional school day.

Small Child Care Facility – describes an entity licensed by the Department in which a Child Care Provider maintains or otherwise provides Child Care Services for compensation, for any part of a day, for three (3) but no more than twelve (12) Children.

Family Child Care – refers to a licensed Child Care Provider's legal residence in which the Child Care Provider provides licensed Child Care Services for compensation, for any part of a day, for three to twelve (3-12) Children who are not the Children of the Child Care Provider.

This is a list of licensed center-based, small facility, family child care homes, and out-of-school time programs who have offered care in their facilities for care of children for essential workers in their communities. **This list is updated daily.**

Parents and Families, if you are looking for the list of Licensed Child Care Programs/Providers who may have openings for child care, please click [HERE](#)

Please refer to the OCFS website for latest updates and information, including important information around licensing and child care subsidies: <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/COVID-19-response.shtml>