# Need Help Paying For Child Care?



**Child care is expensive. Many families struggle with the cost.**

Research shows that the earliest years are when the brain develops the fastest. From the infant and toddler years to the preschool years, brain wiring is laying a foundation for all future learning. That's what makes quality child care so important!

## The Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) helps parents afford the child care of their choice.



### Parent/Applicant Eligibility

- Must be a county resident
- Must be employed full time (at least 30 hours per week) OR attend school full time (12 credit hours or more), or in job training (at least 20 hours per week)
- Work part time AND go to school/training part time
- Must meet income eligibility guidelines



### Child/Children Eligibility

- Children up to age 13, or less than age 19 and incapable of self-care
- The child or children must be legally present in the U.S. and have a valid Social Security number
- A child under the NJ Division of Child Protection and Permanency's protective supervision is also eligible



### Child Care Provider Eligibility

- Providers must be either a licensed child care center or a registered family child care home
- A home or summer camp that is approved by the state is also eligible
- All providers must complete health and safety trainings and criminal history background checks



### Family Income Eligibility

| Family Size | Initial Eligibility |
|---|---|
| 2 | $43,280 |
| 3 | $54,640 |
| 4 | $66,000 |
| 5 | $77,360 |
| 6 | $88,720 |



**To apply for child care assistance or ask for additional information, call [fill in your agency & phone #]**