

CHILD CARE SERVICES DIVISION

DHS FACT SHEET

Child Care Services Division (CCSD)

Intake and Continuing Services – Offers child care services to eligible families who are residents of the District of Columbia. Services are available to children from 6 weeks to 12 years old and up to 19 years old for children with special needs.

Eligibility Categories – Services are provided to parents who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits as well as those who are non-TANF. Some of the eligibility categories are:

- Parents who are employed – and meet the employment measures of working at least 20 hours or more per week.
- Parents who receive TANF – must participate in a certified activity for 20 hours or more per week. Activity can be a training or educational program, job search, or work activity.
- Parents in Higher Learning – To qualify, parents must be a full time student enrolled in an undergraduate program receiving TANF, or have a CCSD allowable income. If parent(s) is a part-time student, they must verify a minimum of 20 hours attendance *per week* at school.
- Teen Parents/Young Adults in Secondary School – 25 years of age and under, enrolled and attending secondary school and reside with parent/guardian.
- Parents with children under the Child and Family Services Agency (CFSA) – are eligible and include Protective Services, Foster Care, Wards of the State and children assigned through the Court system.
- Parents of Children with Disabilities – must provide medical documentation that defines the child's special need(s).
- Parents with Disabilities – have allowable income and provide medical documentation to substantiate that child care is in the best interest of the child.
- Guardians receiving payment on behalf of minor child – must be in at least 20 hours of employment or training per week with a countable income.



Sliding Fee Scale – Subsidized child care is based on a sliding fee scale based on parental income and household size.

Services offered – Parents determined eligible for child care assistance are offered *Traditional Services* Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 6:00 pm, as well as *Non-traditional services* (evenings, nights and weekends).



Parental Choice Child Care Options – Provides options for child care settings which include center-based sites, family child care homes, in-home care and relative child care.

General Information – Information regarding eligibility is available in various languages.

For more information about CCSD services
call (202) 671-4200.



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