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PROGRAM INSTRUCTION

Table with 2 columns: SUBJECT: Rate Increases for Licensed Centers and Family Child Care Providers; ISSUE DATE: February 28, 2023; IMPACTED PROGRAMS: Child Care; HISTORY: (empty)

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Instruction is to establish and announce increased maximum child care reimbursement rates for all licensed child care centers and Family Child Care providers (FCCs) that receive funds from the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP).

II. AUTHORITY

The "Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990" (CCDBG Act), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9857 et seq.; 45 C.F.R. Part 98; N.J.A.C. 10:15-2.2(a)(4); and N.J.A.C. 10:15-10.1(c).

III. OVERVIEW

On March 1, 2023, the Division of Family Development (DFD) will implement a two percent (2%) increase to the reimbursement rates for licensed child care centers and FCCs that receive CCAP funds. Licensed child care centers and FCCs will see the new rate increases at the next following direct deposit date.

IV. POLICY

Effective March 1, 2023, DFD shall pay child care providers in accordance with the attached March 2023 Maximum Child Care Payment Rates.

- Note: The only rate changes are the new increased rates for licensed child care centers and FCCs.
Note: The rate charts include the temporary differential payments that are in effect through December 2023 for licensed child care centers and FCCs.

## **V. PROCEDURES**

Effective immediately, the Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (CCR&Rs) shall publish the attached March 2023 Reimbursement Changes Letter to their agency websites, and distribute the letter to licensed child care centers and FCCs.

## **VI. SYSTEMS**

The CARES system will undergo an automated mass change to ensure that new and existing agreements reflect the new reimbursement rates. The rate increase will be displayed on affected Parent/Applicant Provider Agreements (PAPAs) after the mass change. CCR&Rs do not have to re-print PAPAs that were generated before the mass change (to display the new rate), but may do so upon request of a parent or provider.

## **VII. FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS**

- Maximum Child Care Payment Rates Charts (Effective March 1, 2023)
- March 2023 Reimbursement Changes Letter

If you need additional guidance, please contact your Child Care Supervisor assigned to your county.

Sincerely,

*Natasha Johnson*

Natasha Johnson  
Assistant Commissioner

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
MAXIMUM CHILD CARE PAYMENT RATES**



Effective: March 1, 2023

<b>LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTER RATES</b>												
<b>INCLUDING TEMPORARY COVID-19 FAMILY DIFFERENTIAL PAYMENT*</b>												
LICENSED CHILD CARE CENTERS	3-STAR GROW NJ KIDS RATED LICENSED CHILD CARE			4-STAR GROW NJ KIDS RATED LICENSED CHILD CARE			5-STAR GROW NJ KIDS RATED LICENSED CHILD CARE					
	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY
<b>INFANTS</b> <i>Birth to 17 Months</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,548.74	357.68	71.54	1,652.84	381.72	76.34	1,699.11	392.40	78.48	1,758.86	406.20	81.24
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	774.37	178.84	35.77	826.42	190.86	38.17	849.56	196.20	39.24	879.43	203.10	40.62
<b>INFANTS</b> <i>Birth to 17 Months w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,798.48	415.35	83.07	1,923.40	444.20	88.84	1,978.94	457.03	91.41	2,050.63	473.59	94.72
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	899.24	207.68	41.54	961.70	222.10	44.42	989.47	228.52	45.70	1,025.32	236.79	47.36
<b>TODDLERS</b> <i>18 to 29 Months</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,371.75	316.80	63.36	1,415.47	326.90	65.38	1,452.09	335.36	67.07	1,499.50	346.30	69.26
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	685.88	158.40	31.68	707.74	163.45	32.69	726.05	167.68	33.54	749.75	173.15	34.63
<b>TODDLERS</b> <i>18 to 29 Months w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,586.11	366.31	73.26	1,638.57	378.42	75.68	1,682.51	388.57	77.71	1,739.40	401.71	80.34
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	793.06	183.15	36.63	819.29	189.21	37.84	841.26	194.29	38.86	869.70	200.85	40.17
<b>PRESCHOOL</b> <i>30 Months to 5 Years</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,225.51	283.03	56.61	1,283.10	296.33	59.27	1,314.34	303.54	60.71	1,354.85	312.90	62.58
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	612.76	141.51	28.30	641.55	148.16	29.63	657.17	151.77	30.35	677.43	156.45	31.29
<b>PRESCHOOL</b> <i>30 Months to 5 Years w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,475.39	340.74	68.15	1,548.53	357.63	71.53	1,588.21	366.79	73.36	1,639.66	378.67	75.73
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	737.70	170.37	34.07	774.27	178.81	35.76	794.11	183.40	36.68	819.83	189.34	37.87
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 13 Years</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,167.13	269.55	53.91									
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	583.57	134.77	26.95									
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 19 Years w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	1,401.26	323.62	64.72									
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	700.63	161.81	32.36									

The amounts listed above represent the maximum authorized rates for registered family child care. The parent/applicant may select a provider with a cost higher than these maximum rates; however, in such instances, the parent/applicant will be responsible for all expenses over these maximum state payment rates.

\*Temporary COVID-19 Family Differential Payments provide up to \$300 for full-time care, or \$150 for part-time care, per eligible child, per month on top of the child care assistance rate paid by the state. Family Differential Payments will be made through the end of 2023. To calculate the state's base rate, without the Temporary COVID-19 Family Differential Payment, subtract \$300 from full-time rates and \$150 from part-time rates.



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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
MAXIMUM CHILD CARE PAYMENT RATES**

**REGISTERED FAMILY CHILD CARE RATES  
INCLUDING TEMPORARY COVID-19 FAMILY DIFFERENTIAL PAYMENT\***

Effective: March 1, 2023	REGISTERED FAMILY CHILD CARE			3-STAR GROW NJ KIDS RATED REGISTERED FAMILY CHILD CARE			4-STAR GROW NJ KIDS RATED REGISTERED FAMILY CHILD CARE			5-STAR GROW NJ KIDS RATED REGISTERED FAMILY CHILD CARE		
	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY	DAILY
<b>INFANTS</b> <i>Birth to 17 Months</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,187.69</b>	<b>274.29</b>	<b>54.86</b>	<b>1,365.90</b>	<b>315.45</b>	<b>63.09</b>	<b>1,416.90</b>	<b>327.23</b>	<b>65.45</b>	<b>1,477.08</b>	<b>341.13</b>	<b>68.23</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>593.85</b>	<b>137.15</b>	<b>27.43</b>	<b>682.95</b>	<b>157.73</b>	<b>31.55</b>	<b>708.45</b>	<b>163.61</b>	<b>32.72</b>	<b>738.54</b>	<b>170.56</b>	<b>34.11</b>
<b>INFANTS</b> <i>Birth to 17 Months w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,334.32</b>	<b>308.16</b>	<b>61.63</b>	<b>1,385.32</b>	<b>319.94</b>	<b>63.99</b>	<b>1,436.32</b>	<b>331.71</b>	<b>66.34</b>	<b>1,487.32</b>	<b>343.49</b>	<b>68.70</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>667.16</b>	<b>154.08</b>	<b>30.82</b>	<b>692.66</b>	<b>159.97</b>	<b>31.99</b>	<b>718.16</b>	<b>165.86</b>	<b>33.17</b>	<b>743.66</b>	<b>171.75</b>	<b>34.35</b>
<b>TODDLERS</b> <i>18 to 29 Months</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,187.69</b>	<b>274.29</b>	<b>54.86</b>	<b>1,289.69</b>	<b>297.85</b>	<b>59.57</b>	<b>1,340.40</b>	<b>309.56</b>	<b>61.91</b>	<b>1,400.58</b>	<b>323.46</b>	<b>64.69</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>593.85</b>	<b>137.15</b>	<b>27.43</b>	<b>644.85</b>	<b>148.92</b>	<b>29.78</b>	<b>670.20</b>	<b>154.78</b>	<b>30.96</b>	<b>700.29</b>	<b>161.73</b>	<b>32.35</b>
<b>TODDLERS</b> <i>18 to 29 Months w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,334.32</b>	<b>308.16</b>	<b>61.63</b>	<b>1,340.69</b>	<b>309.63</b>	<b>61.93</b>	<b>1,391.69</b>	<b>321.41</b>	<b>64.28</b>	<b>1,451.87</b>	<b>335.30</b>	<b>67.06</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>667.16</b>	<b>154.08</b>	<b>30.82</b>	<b>670.35</b>	<b>154.81</b>	<b>30.96</b>	<b>695.85</b>	<b>160.70</b>	<b>32.14</b>	<b>725.94</b>	<b>167.65</b>	<b>33.53</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL</b> <i>30 Months to 5 Years</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,041.05</b>	<b>240.43</b>	<b>48.09</b>	<b>1,238.69</b>	<b>286.07</b>	<b>57.21</b>	<b>1,289.40</b>	<b>297.78</b>	<b>59.56</b>	<b>1,349.58</b>	<b>311.68</b>	<b>62.34</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>520.53</b>	<b>120.21</b>	<b>24.04</b>	<b>619.35</b>	<b>143.04</b>	<b>28.61</b>	<b>644.70</b>	<b>148.89</b>	<b>29.78</b>	<b>674.79</b>	<b>155.84</b>	<b>31.17</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL</b> <i>30 Months to 5 Years w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,187.69</b>	<b>274.29</b>	<b>54.86</b>	<b>1,289.69</b>	<b>297.85</b>	<b>59.57</b>	<b>1,340.40</b>	<b>309.56</b>	<b>61.91</b>	<b>1,400.58</b>	<b>323.46</b>	<b>64.69</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>593.85</b>	<b>137.15</b>	<b>27.43</b>	<b>644.85</b>	<b>148.92</b>	<b>29.78</b>	<b>670.20</b>	<b>154.78</b>	<b>30.96</b>	<b>700.29</b>	<b>161.73</b>	<b>32.35</b>
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 13 Years</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,041.05</b>	<b>240.43</b>	<b>48.09</b>									
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>520.53</b>	<b>120.21</b>	<b>24.04</b>									
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 19 Years w/Special Needs</i>												
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,187.69</b>	<b>274.29</b>	<b>54.86</b>									
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>593.85</b>	<b>137.15</b>	<b>27.43</b>									

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***APPROVED HOME RATES***

**Effective: March 1, 2023**

	<b>FAMILY FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR (FFN) AND IN-HOME PROVIDERS</b>		
	<b>MONTHLY</b>	<b>WEEKLY</b>	<b>DAILY</b>
<b>INFANTS</b> <i>Birth to 17 Months</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>603.56</b>	<b>139.39</b>	<b>27.88</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>301.78</b>	<b>69.70</b>	<b>13.94</b>
<b>INFANTS</b> <i>Birth to 17 Months w/Special Needs</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>687.56</b>	<b>158.79</b>	<b>31.76</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>343.78</b>	<b>79.39</b>	<b>15.88</b>
<b>TODDLERS</b> <i>18 to 29 Months</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>603.56</b>	<b>139.39</b>	<b>27.88</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>301.78</b>	<b>69.70</b>	<b>13.94</b>
<b>TODDLERS</b> <i>18 to 29 Months w/Special Needs</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>687.56</b>	<b>158.79</b>	<b>31.76</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>343.78</b>	<b>79.39</b>	<b>15.88</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL</b> <i>30 Months to 5 Years</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>514.36</b>	<b>118.79</b>	<b>23.76</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>257.18</b>	<b>59.39</b>	<b>11.88</b>
<b>PRESCHOOL</b> <i>30 Months to 5 Years w/Special Needs</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>603.56</b>	<b>139.39</b>	<b>27.88</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>301.78</b>	<b>69.70</b>	<b>13.94</b>
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 13 Years</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>514.36</b>	<b>118.79</b>	<b>23.76</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>257.18</b>	<b>59.39</b>	<b>11.88</b>
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 19 Years w/Special Needs</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>603.56</b>	<b>139.39</b>	<b>27.88</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>301.78</b>	<b>69.70</b>	<b>13.94</b>

The amounts listed above represent the maximum authorized rates for approved homes, including Family, Friend and Neighbor (FFN) and in-home child care providers. The parent/applicant may select a provider with a cost higher than these maximum rates; however, in such instances, the parent/applicant will be responsible for all expenses over these maximum state payment rates.

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***SUMMER YOUTH CAMP RATES  
INCLUDING TEMPORARY COVID-19 FAMILY  
DIFFERENTIAL PAYMENT\****

Effective: March 1, 2023

	<b>AMERICAN CAMPING ASSOCIATION (ACA) SUMMER YOUTH CAMP</b>		
	<b>MONTHLY</b>	<b>WEEKLY</b>	<b>DAILY</b>
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 13 Years</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,210.49</b>	<b>279.56</b>	<b>55.91</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>605.24</b>	<b>139.78</b>	<b>27.96</b>
<b>SCHOOL-AGE</b> <i>5 to 19 Years w/Special Needs</i>			
<i>Full Time Care (6 hrs or more)</i>	<b>1,456.32</b>	<b>336.33</b>	<b>67.27</b>
<i>Part Time Care (less than 6 hrs)</i>	<b>728.16</b>	<b>168.17</b>	<b>33.63</b>

The amounts listed above represent the maximum authorized rates for American Camping Association (ACA) Summer Youth Camps. The parent/applicant may select a provider with a cost higher than these maximum rates; however, in such instances, the parent/applicant will be responsible for all expenses over these maximum state payment rates.

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