

Department of Human Services • Division of Family Development

New Jersey Child Care Assistance Program March 2025 Payment Rate Update Notice

Dear Provider:

You are receiving this letter because you serve families enrolled in New Jersey's Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development (DHS/DFD), Child Care Assistance Program. As of March 1, 2025, base payment rates will increase for licensed child care centers, Family Child Care providers (FCCs), and summer youth camps.

Please visit https://www.echildcarenj.org/eccpw/ to see the new increased rates for children enrolled at licensed child care centers, FCCs and summer youth camps.

The rate increase will be displayed on affected Parent/Applicant Provider Agreements (PAPAs) created during the month of March and thereafter. Providers will begin to see these changes displayed in the provider portal beginning by the end of March and will receive DHS/DFD payments, less any copayments owed, beginning with the March 25, 2025 direct deposit date.

As a reminder, families who select child care providers that charge more than the maximum State payment rate have been informed they are still responsible for paying that difference in addition to any copayment the family may owe.

If you have any questions, please contact your Child Care Resource & Referral Agency (CCR&R) (www.ChildCareNJ.gov/CCRR).