

## Department of Human Services • Division of Family Development

## August 2024 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 August 1, 2024, base payment rates will increase for toddlers and preschool-age children enrolled at licensed child care centers. Also, the additional amounts paid as temporary differential payments since the COVID-19 pandemic will now be incorporated into the base payment rates for licensed child care centers, Family Child Care providers, and summer youth camps.

Please visit <a href="https://www.echildcarenj.org/eccpw/">https://www.echildcarenj.org/eccpw/</a> to see the new increased rates for toddlers and preschool-age children enrolled at licensed child care centers. The charts will no longer note the Temporary COVID-19 Family Differential Payments.

The rate increase will be displayed on affected PAPAs created during the month of August and thereafter. Providers will begin to see these changes displayed in the provider portal beginning by the end of August and will receive DFD/OCC payments, less any copayments owed, beginning with the August 27, 2024 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 CCR&R (www.ChildCareNJ.gov/CCRR).