FIND CHILD CARE

Call: 211 or 1-866-698-6155 Text: keyword "children" or "niños" to 898211 (TXT211) Email: children@211info.org Hours: Monday-Friday 7am-11pm; Saturday & Sunday 8am-8pm

Search for child care providers: https://tinyurl.com/FindChildCare

FOR HELP AFFORDING CHILD CARE, APPLY FOR ERDC

Employment-Related Day Care is a subsidy to help parents and other caretakers afford child care. ERDC will pay a maximum of \$1,415 / month to providers for each eligible child in the family, depending on child age, provider type, and location within the state.

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL DHS SELF-SUFFICIENCY OFFICE: <u>https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/Offices/Pages/Self-Sufficiency.aspx</u>

211 (above) can also help you apply

Apply soon for maximum benefit opportunities! (see reverse for details)





YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR ERDC IF:

- You live in Oregon.
- You have a child under 13 or a child 13-17 who requires care due to special needs / circumstances.
- Your child is a US citizen or qualifying noncitizen; parental citizenship status is not a determining factor.
- All parents / caretakers in your household are employed including self-employment – unless one parent cannot care for the children due to a medical / mental health condition or if supervised contact is required by Child Welfare.
- As long as caretaker(s) are working, child care may also be covered for some hours spent in post-secondary education.
- Parents / caretakers monthly income must not exceed the following during the COVID-19 state of emergency:

Number in Family / Household	Gross Monthly Income
2	\$4,012
3	\$4,956
4	\$5,899
5	\$6,843
6	\$7,787
7	\$8,259
8 or more	\$9,192

YOU CAN CHOOSE YOUR PROVIDER:

- ERDC covers licensed child care
- ENDC covers licensed child care centers; care centers operated out of the provider's home; and care provided by an adult with whom you have a relationship (relative or friend), either in your home or theirs.
- There are supports and incentives to use providers deemed "high quality" by the state licensing office.
- You may select a provider already approved, OR you may request to have an individual known to you (e.g., a grandparent, aunt / uncle, or neighbor) approved to receive payment for care. Care can only be paid from the date of approval and forward.

CARE CAN BE PROVIDED BY SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY OR SOCIAL CIRCLE:

- If this person does not otherwise provide licensed child care, this is known as a Family, Friend, and Neighbor (FFN) or license-exempt provider.
- Background check and basic safety training is required.
- Non-relatives providing care in their home (instead of the child's) must have a health and safety review of their home before being approved for payment, and they must test water pipes for lead (this cost is reimbursable).
- New FFN providers will need to submit paperwork to DHS in order to be approved to receive payment through ERDC. For assistance, they should contact their local Child Care Resource & Referral office:
 - o For Multnomah County call 503-491-6205. Staff available in multiple languages.
 - o For other counties, check <u>http://triwou.org/projects/ccccrr</u> for contact info.

APPLY QUICKLY FOR MAXIMUM BENEFITS!

Eligibility criteria has been temporarily expanded to help more families access assistance in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and family copays have been temporarily waived.

In order to receive 12 months of ERDC with no copay, benefits must begin by December 31, 2020. Families enrolled after that will be subject to monthly copay requirements.

If approved, you may receive benefits for up to 12 months, after which you will need to re-verify eligibility.