CDC INCOME ELIGIBILITY SCALE

Income Eligibility

If a child does not qualify for one of the Child Development and Care (CDC) Protective Service groups where income is not considered (see BEM 703), determine eligibility for the child based on income.

To be income eligible for the CDC program at application, a family's gross monthly income must not exceed the maximum monthly gross income limit by family size associated with the column labeled ***entry***.

After initial eligibility has been determined, a family's income must not exceed the maximum monthly gross income eligibility limit by family size associated with the column labeled ***exit***, unless the increase is determined to be *temporary excess income*; see BEM 505.

Family Contribution

The Family Contribution (FC) amount is based on family income when the child is determined income eligible. The FC amount is subtracted from the provider payment issued by the department and the family may be responsible to pay this amount to provider.

The FC amount is waived for a child in the CDC Protective Services (income waived) eligibility category and for income eligible children assigned to a child care center, family home, or group home with a star rating/quality level of 3 Star/Enhancing Quality or higher.

FC amounts are per child, per every two-week pay period (CDC 2025 Payment Schedule), not to exceed the Family Contribution limit per family, per every two-week pay period; see *family contribution* BEM 706.

DEPARTMENT HOURLY RATES AND CHILD CARE FEES

Department Hourly Rates

The departmental hourly rate is multiplied by the time billed to reimburse license exempt-related and unrelated providers, and multiplied by 30, 60, or 90 hours in a block reimbursement for child care centers, group, and family homes; see *billing and payment* BEM 706.

Child Care Fee Payments

Child care centers, group homes, and family homes may bill the CDC program for child care fees. These are mandatory fees that are typically charged to parents, such as registration fees, annual fees, or field trip fees. Payment of child care fees is limited to $65.00 for centers, and $40.00 for group and family homes, per child, per fiscal year (10/1 to 9/30); see *child care fees* BEM 706.

Note: License exempt-related and unrelated providers are not eligible for payment of child care fees.

CDC INCOME ELIGIBILITY SCALE: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 13, 2026

FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (FC) BASED ON INCOME ELIGIBILITY

Family Size	Maximum Monthly Gross Income						
		Entry					Exit
1	$1,330	$2,660	$2,990	$3,320	$3,651	$3,981	$4,311
2	$1,803	$3,606	$4,012	$4,418	$4,825	$5,231	$5,637
3	$2,277	$4,554	$5,036	$5,518	$6,000	$6,482	$6,964
4	$2,750	$5,500	$6,058	$6,616	$7,174	$7,732	$8,290
5	$3,223	$6,446	$7,080	$7,714	$8,349	$8,983	$9,617
6	$3,697	$7,394	$8,104	$8,814	$9,523	$10,233	$10,943
7	$4,170	$8,340	$8,910	$9,481	$10,051	$10,622	$11,192
8	$4,643	$9,286	$9,717	$10,148	$10,579	$11,010	$11,441
9	$5,117	$10,234	$10,525	$10,816	$11,107	$11,398	$11,689
10	$5,590	$11,180	$11,332	$11,483	$11,635	$11,786	$11,938
FC (Per child per pay period)	$0	$15	$30	$45	$60	$69	$78
FC Limit (per family per pay period)	N/A	$45	$83	$121	$143	$164	$186

DEPARTMENT HOURLY RATES AND CHILD CARE FEES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 (PAY PERIOD 420) - ONGOING

Provider Type	Star Rating / New Quality Levels	Infant/Toddler (Birth up to Age 2 1/2)	Preschool (Age 2 1/2 up to Age 5)	School Age (Age 5 and Over)
Child Care Center Child Care Fee limit of $65.00 per fiscal year (10/1-9/30)	Base Rate (Blank Star) Maintaining Health & Safety	$7.15	$5.05	$4.90
	1 Star - Maintaining Health & Safety	$7.15	$5.05	$4.90
	2 Star - Reflecting on Quality	$7.55	$5.45	$5.35
	3 Star - Enhancing Quality	$8.40	$6.30	$6.15
	4 Star - Enhancing Quality-Validated	$8.75	$6.75	$6.55
	5 Star - Demonstrating Quality	$9.60	$7.55	$7.35
Group and Family Child Care Home Child Care Fee limit of $40.00 per fiscal year (10/1-9/30)	Base Rate (Blank Star) Maintaining Health & Safety	$5.70	$4.90	$4.80
	1 Star - Maintaining Health & Safety	$5.70	$4.90	$4.80
	2 Star - Reflecting on Quality	$ 6.15	$5.35	$5.20
	3 Star - Enhancing Quality	$7.00	$6.15	$6.00
	4 Star - Enhancing Quality-Validated	$7.35	$6.55	$6.45
	5 Star - Demonstrating Quality	$8.20	$7.35	$7.25
License Exempt-Related and Unrelated	Base Rate (Level 1)	$2.95	$2.95	$2.95
	Level 2	$4.95	$4.40	$4.40

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND CARE (CDC) REIMBURSEMENT RATES PER TWO-WEEK PAY PERIOD: 9/22/2024 – ONGOING CHILD CARE CENTERS

Child Care Centers		Child Care Fee limit of $65 and absence hour limit of 360 per fiscal year (10/1-9/30)					
Child Type	Number of Hours Billed	Base Rate Maintaining Health & Safety (Formerly Blank Star)	Maintaining Health & Safety (Formerly 1 Star)	Reflecting on Quality (Formerly 2 Star)	Enhancing Quality (Formerly 3 Star)	Enhancing Quality-Validated (Formerly 4 Star)	Demonstrating Quality (Formerly 5 Star)
Infant / Toddler (Birth up to age 2 ½)	(hourly rates)	$7.15	$7.15	$7.55	$8.40	$8.75	$9.60
	1-30 hours	$214.50	$214.50	$226.50	$252.00	$262.50	$288.00
	31-60 hours	$429.00	$429.00	$453.00	$504.00	$525.00	$576.00
	61+ hours	$643.50	$643.50	$679.50	$756.00	$787.50	$864.00
Preschool (Age 2 ½ up to Age 5)	(hourly rates)	$5.05	$5.05	$5.45	$6.30	$6.75	$7.55
	1-30 hours	$151.50	$151.50	$163.50	$189.00	$202.50	$226.50
	31-60 hours	$303.00	$303.00	$327.00	$378.00	$405.00	$453.00
	61+ hours	$454.50	$454.50	$490.50	$567.00	$607.50	$679.50
School Age (Age 5 and older)	(hourly rates)	$4.90	$4.90	$5.35	$6.15	$6.55	$7.35
	1-30 hours	$147.00	$147.00	$160.50	$184.50	$196.50	$220.50
	31-60 hours	$294.00	$294.00	$321.00	$369.00	$393.00	$441.00
	61+ hours	$441.00	$441.00	$481.50	$553.50	$589.50	$661.50

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND CARE (CDC) REIMBURSEMENT RATES
PER TWO-WEEK PAY PERIOD: 9/22/2024 – ONGOING
GROUP AND FAMILY HOMES

Group and Family Homes		**Child Care Fee limit of $40 and absence hour limit of 360 per fiscal year (10/1-9/30)**					
Child Type	Number of Hours Billed	Base Rate Maintaining Health & Safety (Formerly Blank Star)	Maintaining Health & Safety (Formerly 1 Star)	Reflecting on Quality (Formerly 2 Star)	Enhancing Quality (Formerly 3 Star)	Enhancing Quality-Validated (Formerly 4 Star)	Demonstrating Quality (Formerly 5 Star)
Infant / Toddler (Birth up to age 2 ½)	(hourly rates)	$5.70	$5.70	$6.15	$7.00	$7.35	$8.20
	1-30 hours	$171.00	$171.00	$184.50	$210.00	$220.50	$246.00
	31-60 hours	$342.00	$342.00	$369.00	$420.00	$441.00	$492.00
	61+ hours	$513.00	$513.00	$553.50	$630.00	$661.50	$738.00
Preschool (Age 2 ½ up to Age 5)	(hourly rates)	$4.90	$4.90	$5.35	$6.15	$6.55	$7.35
	1-30 hours	$147.00	$147.00	$160.50	$184.50	$196.50	$220.50
	31-60 hours	$294.00	$294.00	$321.00	$369.00	$393.00	$441.00
	61+ hours	$441.00	$441.00	$481.50	$553.50	$589.50	$661.50
School Age (Age 5 and older)	(hourly rates)	$4.80	$4.80	$5.20	$6.00	$6.45	$7.25
	1-30 hours	$144.00	$144.00	$156.00	$180.00	$193.50	$217.50
	31-60 hours	$288.00	$288.00	$312.00	$360.00	$387.00	$435.00
	61+ hours	$432.00	$432.00	$468.00	$540.00	$580.50	$652.50

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND CARE (CDC) REIMBURSEMENT RATES PER TWO-WEEK PAY PERIOD: 9/22/2024 – ONGOING

LICENSE EXEMPT RELATED AND UNRELATED

License Exempt-Related and License-Exempt Unrelated Providers		
Child Type	Level 1 - Base Rate	Level 2
Infant/Toddler (Birth up to age 2 ½)	Hours billed X $2.95	Hours billed X $4.95
Preschool (Age 2 ½ up to Age 5)	Hours billed X $2.95	Hours billed X $4.40
School Age (Age 5 and older)	Hours billed X $2.95	Hours billed X $4.40

Note: For all provider types the CDC reimbursement amount is potentially limited by the child's authorized hours.