

# CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE FACT SHEET

The Child Care Assistance Program is available for families who need help paying for child care costs. With this program, families can find and keep quality child care, which benefits the whole family.

## Child care assistance is for:

- Working families who meet initial income eligibility requirements
- Some families in education or training
- Teen parents completing high school or their GED
- Families who receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and take part in work programs

## Only 3 steps to the help you need:

### 1. Apply! In person or online at [www.dcf.ks.gov](http://www.dcf.ks.gov).

To qualify:

- You must apply and can act on your own behalf.
- The family and the child must live in Kansas.
- The child must be under age 13. Certain exceptions apply.
- Must provide all requested income and other information.
- If parents are absent from the home, the one in the home must work with Child Support Services.

### 2. Select an enrolled child care provider.

DCF enrolled providers can be found at <https://ks.childcareaware.org> or call 1-877-678-2548. Licensed providers can also apply to become enrolled with DCF. Certain relatives may be eligible to become a DCF enrolled provider.

### 3. If approved, receive your funds through a Kansas Benefits Card.



Child care assistance is issued to families using an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Kansas Benefits card, which is like a debit card. Assistance is available on the Kansas Benefits Card every month. More information on how to use the card will be sent if you are eligible.

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Amount of funds depends on household income, household size, age of child or children, your child care provider, and work hours. If providers charge less than the maximum rate, DCF will use the provider rate. Scan the QR code for more information.

You can also find more information by calling 1-888-369-4777, picking up an application in a DCF office, or visiting <https://ksqualitynetwork.org/> (under Families: Child Care Assistance) to complete an application.

Family Size	Maximum Monthly Initial Eligibility Income
2	\$ 3,815
3	\$ 4,798
4	\$ 5,783
5	\$ 6,765
6	\$ 7,748
7	\$ 8,634
8	\$ 8,825
9	\$ 9,017
10	\$ 9,209

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