

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

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### **What is the Child Care Health Consultant Network?**

Child Care Aware of Kansas is excited to partner closely with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment team to launch NEW supports for licensed child care programs! Child Care Health Consultants are available to help child care programs analyze the results of a Self-Assessment and identify ways to reduce the spread of illnesses within the program.

### **Who is eligible to participate in Child Care Health Consultant Network?**

Child care programs must be licensed by and in good standing with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE).

### **How do I get started?**

To get started, follow these steps:

- Step One: Child Care Programs are asked to complete, to the extent possible, a Self-Assessment before scheduling a consultation with a Child Care Health Consultant.
- Step Two: To schedule a coaching consultation, call or send an email to CCAKS.
  - Call: 855-750-3343
  - Email: [cchc@ks.childcareaware.org](mailto:cchc@ks.childcareaware.org)
- Step Three: Child care programs that complete a Self-Assessment and receive a coaching consultation from a Child Care Health Consultant are eligible to apply for a health & safety grant.
- Step Four: You will receive notification of grant decision from CCAKS.

### **How do I receive assistance completing my self-assessment?**

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### **My self-assessment is complete, now what?**

Now that your self-assessment is complete contact Child Care Aware of Kansas to set up a consultation appointment with a Child Care Health Consultant. The Child Care Health Consultant will be available to assist in the completion of the grant application. Once your grant application has been submitted, we anticipate that the grant review process will take 2-3 weeks for finalization.

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**Am I required to meet with a Child Care Health Consultant before I complete the grant application?**

Yes, Child Care Health Consultants are required to provide a consultation before the grant application is submitted.

**What expenses and materials can be paid for with the Child Care Health Network grant?**

The Child Care Health Network Grant will relieve expenses of additional protective measures put in place to ensure child care providers can meet the demands of new guidelines defining a healthy and safe environment for all children in their care.

Some examples of the protective measures include higher costs for additional staffing, the cost of operating for additional hours or increased use of personal protective equipment, to include cleaning equipment and supplies.

**How much are the Child Care Health Network grant award totals?**

The typical range of grant requests is estimated to be \$1,000 to \$3,000, with smaller and larger grants available, based on documented needs aligned with CDC recommendations for child care.

**Where can I find the application for the Child Care Health Network grant?**

Stay tuned for the application, it is coming soon to the Child Care Aware Website. Tentatively September 28, 2020.

**What is the timeline for the Child Care Health Consultant Network?**

The self-assessment is open for completion, now! Grant applications will be open tentatively from September 28, 2020 – November 3, 2020.