



# Child Care Information

Parents are responsible for selecting a child care provider to meet the needs of their child and their expectations of quality. Selection of a child care provider should be made after careful investigation of the provider's qualifications and quality of the environment where the care will be provided.

## Child Care Options

- Day Care Center (DC)
- Registered Family Day Care Provider (FDC)
- Licensed Group Family Provider (GFDC)
- Legally Exempt Provider (LE)
  - ◊ LE Family Provider (Informal Child Care)
  - ◊ LE Group Provider (camps)

*All LE providers must complete an enrollment packet with the parent to submit to the Child Care Resource Network (716-877-6666). Approval for child care payments through the Department of Social Services (DSS) is contingent upon the CCRN's enrollment of your LE provider. Your LE provider must report any income received for child care to the IRS. This income is subject to taxation.*

## Provider Billing and Payment

- An approval letter is issued to eligible parents and the chosen child care provider guaranteeing payment for child care assistance.
- Timesheets are mailed at the end of each month, or attendance is submitted on the web monthly after the provider has been registered in CCTA.
- Rates paid to the child care provider vary according to the provider choice.
- Providers must keep accurate attendance records to report on the timesheet.
- Initial payments may take 6-8 weeks.
- Payments for child care services provided in the prior month are usually issued by the end of the month.
- Any applicable parent share is deducted prior to DSS payment.

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