



Child Care Center Manual Procedure Letter No. 27

TO: All Child Care Center Manual Holders

FROM: Kimberly Hall, Director

SUBJECT: Pandemic Support Payments: Child Care Centers

Background:

On May 31, 2020 child care reopened with reduced class sizes, increased hand washing, temperature screening, and additional recommendations to keep children and professionals' health and safety the top priority. Additionally, Governor DeWine announced an additional \$60 million investment to create a grant program to support providers during this time. As a result, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services issued Child Care Center Manual Procedure Letter No. 25 to establish the grant structure for June 2020.

Support

For the month of July, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) has established the grant structure outlined below. For July there is one type of payment:

Child Care Center - Ratio Support Grant:

Child Care Centers are eligible for a Ratio Support Payment. This payment is intended to support Child Care Centers as a result of reduced ratios. This payment will be based on the enrollment of both your private pay children and those receiving publicly funded child care. The children reported as enrolled **MUST** have been served at least one day prior to reporting **AND** the program must be open for no less than two full weeks in the month of July to receive support payments (i.e. re-open date must be Sunday July 12, 2020 or before). These payments are intended to provide assistance in covering the cost of COVID-19 classroom dividers, cleaning supplies, personal protective equipment (PPE), personnel working in reopened classrooms, temporary sinks, thermometers, and other expenses.

The payments will be as follows:

# of Children Served Public & Private	Star Ratings					
	1 star	2 stars	3 stars	4 stars	5 stars	Unrated
Up to 6	\$273	\$305	\$313	\$333	\$348	\$250
7 - 12	\$545	\$610	\$625	\$645	\$695	\$500
13 - 18	\$3,234	\$3,634	\$3,726	\$3,973	\$4,157	\$2,961
19 - 24	\$4,311	\$4,845	\$4,968	\$5,297	\$5,543	\$3,948
25 - 33	\$5,928	\$6,662	\$6,832	\$7,283	\$7,622	\$5,429
34 - 42	\$7,545	\$8,479	\$8,695	\$9,270	\$9,701	\$6,909
43 - 51	\$9,162	\$10,296	\$10,558	\$11,256	\$11,780	\$8,390
52 - 60	\$10,779	\$12,113	\$12,421	\$13,242	\$13,858	\$9,871
61 - 69	\$12,395	\$13,930	\$14,284	\$15,229	\$15,937	\$11,351
70 - 75	\$13,473	\$15,141	\$15,526	\$16,553	\$17,323	\$12,338
76+	\$13,653	\$15,343	\$15,733	\$16,774	\$17,554	\$12,503

Application & Payment

A new application submission is required to receive a July payment. The application may be submitted beginning July 19, 2020 through July 24, 2020. In order to apply for the Child Care Center – Ratio Support grant, applicants will be required to submit enrollment/attendance documentation. Processing of payments will begin the week of July 13, 2020. Eligible providers must submit an application through the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association (OCCRRA), via a program’s organization dashboard at <https://registry.occrra.org/>.

Reconciliation

A reconciliation will be required for each payment received. For the July payment, the reconciliation is due September 30, 2020. Programs should retain receipts, invoices and documentation for expenses. Reconciliation submission guidance will be provided by OCCRRA.

Questions: Please email your questions to pandemicsupportgrant@occrra.org