NH CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 101
DHHS CHILD CARE SUPPORT PROGRAMS

CCDF Child Care Development Funds

- Child Care & Development fund (CCDF) Employment-related child care
  - Funds managed by DHHS Bureau of Child Development & Head Start Collaboration

Preventative Child care

- Must be enrolled and participating in the Comprehensive Family Support Program
  - Managed by DHHS Division of Economic Housing and Stability
  - Administered through 11 Family Resource Centers
ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP

Child Care Scholarship is available for children who are:

1. A resident of New Hampshire
2. Residing with the parent, caretaker relative or legal guardian applying for Child Care Scholarship
3. A U.S. Citizen or a Qualified non-U.S. Citizen
# INCOME AND RESOURCE LIMIT FOR CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP

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Resource Limit – Cannot exceed 1 Million Dollars
NH CHILD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Eligibility is for 12 months.

Family Cap is frozen during the 12 month eligibility period allowing for continuity of care.

Children must be under the age of 13 unless the child is experiencing a disability or significant special need.
ELIGIBILITY FOR NH CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP

Parent, Caretaker Relative, or Legal Guardian

- Job Search
- Employment
- Training and Education
APPROVED ACTIVITIES - JOB SEARCH

Job search

• Actively seeking a job
• At initial and redetermination applicant must provide verification they are job searching
• Limited to 92 Calendar Days in a 6 month period, or can be used again sooner if the parent/caretaker relative/legal guardian enters into another approved activity.
To be considered employed, an individual must be receiving payment or in-kind compensation for work performed.
• Post-Secondary Training or education (individuals not participating with the NHEP program) must lead to a degree, certificate, or license that would allow for immediate application towards employment.

• Cannot result in a degree at the bachelors level or higher (unless receiving TANF financial assistance).

• This activity can only be used as an activity for the Child Care Scholarship for 104 weeks.

Training and Education
Post –Secondary Training or education
Training and Education

Basic Education & Training

- Basic Education and Training can be used as activity long as the individual is making satisfactory progress in their program.

Basic Education programs consist of:
- High School or High School Equivalency
- General Education Development (GED) or HiSet
- Adult Basic Education (ABE) or
- English as a Second Language (ESL)

- No Limit like Post-Secondary Training and education
Training and Education
Participating in (NHEP) New Hampshire Employment Program

- Participating in the New Hampshire Employment Program
- Individuals in NHEP need to be in working in an approved activity from their employability plan
- To remain open under this activity the participant must stay in compliance with the program
- No Limit like Post-Secondary Training and education
Approved Activities - Mental Health and Substance Misuse Treatment Program

- Eligible adult recipient of the New Hampshire Employment Program (NHEP) or the Family Assistance Program (FAP) cash and participating in a Mental Health or Substance Misuse treatment program

- Form 2691, Verification for Participation in a Mental Health or Substance Misuse Treatment Program
EXPEDITED CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP

1. Homelessness - McKinney-Vento

2. If enrolled in NHEP

Enrolled in NHEP and are receiving mental health treatment or Substance Misuse treatment
Children experiencing homelessness when they lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence which includes:

- Sharing the housing of another person due to loss of housing, economic hardship or a similar reason
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parkers or camp grounds due to lack of alternative adequate accommodation
- Abandoned in a hospital
- Living in emergency or transitional shelters

Children who have primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodations for human beings (cars, parks, public spaces, bus stations)
APPLYING FOR EXPEDITED CHILD CARE

Homelessness

Parent/Caretaker
Relative/Legal
Guardian must be in
an approved activity
and meet the CC
scholarship eligibility

All information can
be self-declared for
expedited child care

A child care
provider must be
identified, and they
must be currently
enrolled with the
NH Child Care
Scholarship
Program. Once
Linked a provider
can bill while the
family is open for
expedited child care

Expedited child care
must be determined
within 7 calendar
days of the date the
office receives the
application, with a
final eligibility
decision made within
30 calendar days for
ongoing Child Care

All required
verification for NH
Child Care
Scholarship eligibility
must be provided
within 30 calendar
days or Expedited
Child Care will
terminate 30 days
from the Child Care
provider link begin
date.
Family’s authorized level of services is determined by the number of hours per week in which the parent is participating in a approved activity plus an hour of commute per day in an approved activity, unless commute hours are not needed.

- **Employment**: Hours are based on the averaged hours worked a week, plus one hour of commute per day worked. Resting Hours are allowed when an individual works any 4 hours the previous day between 10PM-6AM. Resting hours cannot exceed the number of hours worked.
- **Job Search**: Individuals using Job Search as an activity can self-declare the number of hours and days that they are actively looking for employment, they are also allowed an hour of commute each day they are job searching.
- **Training and Education**: Hours are based on the number of hours in the classroom, plus study hours- Study hours must not exceed the number of classroom hours, or credit hours for internet courses, and must be used within the same week as those classroom or credit hours.
- **Multiple Activities**: when a parent has multiple approved activities, the authorized level of service is based on the combination of all approved activities
- **Two-Parent Families**: when a parent has multiple approved activities, the authorized level of service is based on the combination of all approved activities
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<th>PROVIDER TYPE</th>
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<td>Operated in a center and serves groups of children, infant/toddler, night care, preschool, school-age or any combination thereof within certain staff to child ratios set forth by the Child Care Licensing Unit</td>
<td>Operated by an individual(s) in whose home family child care services (up to 6 children from one or more unrelated families) or family group child care services (7-12 children from one or more unrelated families)</td>
<td>Operated in a center, public or private elementary or secondary education school, municipal recreation program, after-school and summer recreational program or day camp For children 72 – 155 months (6 years old – up to 13 years old)</td>
<td>Care for three or fewer children Be someone other than the parent of the child Be age 18 or older Residing somewhere other than the child’s home</td>
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COST SHARE VS CO-PAY

Cost Share
- Deducted from the standard rate or the rate a provider charges private families, whichever is less
- Cost share is based on the families income at date of application

Co-Payment
- If the standard rate is less than a provider charges private pay families, the providers may charge the family the difference between the standard rate and the weekly rate

A provider may NOT charge a family receiving scholarship more than they charge a private pay family
**Preventative Child Care** (must be enrolled in the Comprehensive Family Support Services Program - CFSS)

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<th>Preventative Child Care is a tool for the CFSS program providers to authorize to support families as they overcome their barriers to family well being</th>
<th>Families must be enrolled and actively participating in the CFSS program with an individual service plan</th>
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<td>Preventative child care is short term and can NOT exceed a year Authorizations are give in 4 month increments</td>
<td>Preventative child care Offered to families who are at risk of child abuse and neglect</td>
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<td>During the authorized child care period parents/guardians will actively be working with their home visitor to identify other child care support options along with educational supports when applicable.</td>
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COMPREHENSIVE FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES PROVIDERS

- **Berlin and Littleton District Office: Family Resource Center at Gorham**  
  - Serving the Berlin catchment areas  
  123 Main Street  
  Gorham, NH 03581  
  603-723-6533  
  Gabrielle Flanders

- **Claremont District Office: TLC Family Resource Center**  
  - Serving the Claremont catchment area  
  109 Pleasant Street  
  Claremont, NH 03743  
  603-542-1848 Ext 302  
  Rene Couitt

- **Concord, Manchester Southern District Office: Waypoint**  
  - Serving Manchester, Concord and Southern catchment areas  
  99 Hanover Street  
  Manchester, NH 03101  
  603-668-6260- Central Intake  
  Manchester- Lisa Anderson- 603-518-4124  
  Nashua- Carrie Santos-603-518-4295  
  Concord- Melissa Davis- 603-518-4124

- **Conway District Office: Children Unlimited Inc.**  
  - Serving the Conway catchment area  
  182 West Main Street  
  Conway, NH 03818  
  603-447-6358  
  Barbara Ross

- **Keene District Office: Home, Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services**  
  - Serving the Keene catchment area  
  312 Marlboro Street  
  Keene, NH 03431  
  603-352-2253  
  Penny Vaine

- **Laconia District Office: Family Resource Center of Central NH**  
  - Serving the Laconia catchment area  
  719 North Main Street  
  Laconia, NH 03246  
  603-581-1560  
  Alysia Tandy

- **Portsmouth District Office: Families First Health & Support Center**  
  - Serving the Seacoast catchment area  
  100 Campus Drive, Suite 12  
  Portsmouth, NH 03820  
  603-422-8209 X 314  
  JoAnn Clement

- **Rochester District Office: Community Action Partnership of Strafford County**  
  - Serving the Rochester catchment area  
  PO Box 160  
  Dover, NH 03821  
  603-435-2500 ext. 8108  
  Paula Gyurcsan
Individual Service Plan (ISP)

- Dropping their children off on time and picking their children up and following center expectations
- Children receiving preventative child care will be identified on their ISP as an approved activity
- Parents will receive expectations of their role in ensuring the child care is used appropriately
- Activities for parents will be identified while the child is in care
GROWING OUR CHILDREN’S FUTURE TOGETHER

FAMILIES-PROVIDERS-COMMUNITIES

- Where can I find the right child care for my family?
- Why is child care important?
- What are different types of child care available in the state?

Child Care Aware of NH - NH Connections

- Southern New Hampshire Services, Child Care Aware of NH is a Statewide Child Care Resource & Referral program helping families find child care
- https://www.nh-connections.org/