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# NEW JERSEY CARES FOR KIDS CHILDCARE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM <u>CCAP Application Check List</u>

Income Eligibility Requirements (effective 3/1/18)									
Family Size	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Maximum Annual	\$32,920	\$41,560	\$50,200	\$58,840	\$67,480	\$76,120	\$84,760	\$93,400	\$102,040
Gross Family Income									

Full-Time Activity Minimum Requirements for Each Applicant and Co-Applicant:

#### EMPLOYMENT 30 Hours per Week

# SCHOOL OR TRAINING

12 College Credits per Fall or Spring semester9 College Credits per Summer semester20 Hours per Week of Training program

# The following verification must be submitted with your application:

Send **original** documents where required. If you need originals back, please write a note.

- \_ Complete All Sections of Application-See DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS on next page
- \_\_\_ Proof of Address (lease, license or utility bill)

\_\_\_ Copies of Children's Birth Certificates

\_\_\_ Copies of Children's Social Security Cards

Birth Certificate and Social Security card are required for children for whom applicant is applying. \_\_\_\_ Copies of Permanent Residency Card for proof of citizenship, *if applicable* 

## Proof of Employment/ School/ Training Program, as applicable:

\_\_\_\_If Employed, Paystubs or Payroll records for the MOST RECENT Four (4) Weeks \_\_\_\_If pay stubs or payroll records <u>do not</u> indicate hours worked, An original Employer Letter stating exact hours worked per week (on letterhead, dated, with ORIGINAL SIGNATURE, and job title of signee). \_\_\_\_\_If Self-Employed, Federal Income Tax Return AND Federal Income Tax Return Transcript, with <u>all Schedules, W2s, and 1099s</u>. It can be requested from IRS at www.irs.gov/individuals/get-transcript or 1-800-908-9946.

\_\_\_\_*If in School or Training*, Detailed schedule including days and hours attending, class locations, credits, start and end dates of semester, and clearly indicate the names of the School and Student.

\_\_\_\_*If school or training program does not provide a detailed schedule*, Letter (on letterhead, dated, with ORIGINAL SIGNATURE, and job title of signee), stating start and end date of program and hours per week attending.

Full name and the school name must be clearly identified on all documents submitted. \*\* Online and Hybrid Courses Do Not Meet Program Eligibility Requirements\*\*

# Proof of Additional Income, as applicable:

\_ Social Security Benefit –Current Benefits Statement

\_\_\_\_\_TANF/Food Stamp benefit - Copy of Snap/Families First Card showing case number

\_\_\_ Child Support Verification for <u>ALL children in household</u>:

Print out report showing Obligation and Disbursement showing last six (6) months of payments. Obtain on-line at www.njchildsupport.org or from probation office.

\_\_\_\_ If Child Support *paid directly to applicant* from the non-custodial parent,

A **NOTARIZED** letter signed and dated stating amount and frequency; must include names and addresses of non-custodial parent and children.

# SIGN and DATE

Applicant & Co- Applicant must sign and date Certification Page, Acknowledgment AND Application Addendum

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# NJ CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

# **Documentation Checklist**

Below is a list of required documents for each section of the Child Care Subsidy Program Application that must be submitted for eligibility consideration. Please contact the Child Care Resource and Referral Agency (CCR&R) if you have questions or need assistance. You can reach your local CCR&R at 1-800-332-9227 or visit www.ChildCareNJ.com.

IDENTIFICATION	
<ul> <li>For any applicant/co-applicant, submit one of the following:</li> <li>Driver's license</li> <li>State or employer issued picture ID</li> <li>For each dependent, regardless of if they require child care, provide any of Birth Certificate</li> <li>Court decree</li> <li>School enforcement showing residence</li> <li>Custody Agreement or other court documents for guardianship</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Passport</li> <li>Permanent Resident Card (Green Card)</li> <li>one of the following to prove relationship to child and verify family size:</li> <li>Lease Agreement</li> <li>Medical documentation</li> <li>Most recent filed tax forms showing dependency (For dependents age 18+, must provide Filed IRS 1040 Form)</li> </ul>
ADDRESS	
For any applicant/co-applicant, submit one of the following to verify reside Birth Certificate Court decree School enforcement showing residence Custody Agreement or other court documents for guardianship * <i>If you or your child are homeless and do not have a fixed address, please</i>	<ul> <li>Lease Agreement</li> <li>Medical documentation</li> <li>Most recent filed tax forms showing dependency (For dependents age 18+, must provide Filed IRS 1040 Form)</li> </ul>
INCOME	
INCOME FROM EMPLOYMENT:	OTHER INCOME OR BENEFITS TO FAMILY UNIT
<ul> <li>One month's worth of current pay stubs (e.g. 4 weekly, 2 biweekly, etc.)</li> <li>NEW EMPLOYMENT ONLY:         <ul> <li>DFD "Verification of Employment" Form; or</li> <li>Employer letter on company letterhead (signed/dated) containing rate of pay, hours worked per week, employer contact information, and first date of employment. If approved for subsidy, applicant/co-applicant will be required to follow up with pay stubs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>SELF-EMPLOYED ONLY: Submit IRS Tax Transcript of Form 1040 Schedule C, "Profit or Loss from Business"</li> <li>UNABLE TO WORK or INCAPACITATED: DFD "Parent Incapacitation Verification" Form</li> </ul>	Documentation must show the rate and frequency of the income received from the sources below: Unemployment documentation Pension documentation Worker's Compensation Social Security award letter Retirement/Pension Spousal Support/Alimony Veterans/Military Benefits Disability Benefits Child support –12 months of Payment/Disbursement History (Note: If child support or alimony is not court ordered, write the amount you receive monthly in Section C of the application) Any other income required for federal/state tax reporting purposes
SCHOOL/TRAINING	
For any applicant/co-applicant, submit one of the following: DFD "Verification of School or Training" Form SCHOOL: Detailed school schedule naming the school and the stude	ent, including days and hours attending, credits, start and end date d) indicating name of program, start and end date and weekly schedule
CHILD CITIZENSHIP STATUS	
For any child in need of care, submit one of the following:           Birth Certificate           Certificate of Citizenship           U.S. Passport           Social Security Number	<ul> <li>Permanent Resident Card (Green Card)</li> <li>USCIS Form I-551 (Alien Registration Card) or Form I-94</li> <li>USCIS "Notice of Prima Facie Case" dated within 150 days of application</li> </ul>



Child Care and Early Education Service Eligibility Application



# Applicant Instructions for Completing the Child Care Eligibility Form

The following instructions are keyed to the various sections of this form. Please read carefully.

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SECTION A

- 1. Enter your full name (last, first, middle initial), social security number and date of birth (month/date/year). Check one or more of the appropriate boxes provided to indicate your race. Check the appropriate box to indicate your ethnicity and sex. Check the appropriate box to indicate the relationship of the parent/ applicant to the child(ren) for which you are making an application for assistance. If you are not an immediate relative (mother/father), please indicate whether you are another legally responsible person, a foster parent or other. If other, please specify.
- If applicable (resides in household), enter the full name of your spouse or co-applicant, social security number and date of birth (month/date/year). Check the appropriate boxes provided to indicate the race, ethnicity and sex of the co-applicant/spouse.
- 3. Enter your home address and county in which you reside. Enter the school district which the child(ren) attends.
- 4. Enter your home telephone number.
- 5. Enter the "family size" meaning the number of adults (persons 18 years or older who are legally responsible for the children) and dependent adults (persons 18 years or older) who are in your immediate family unit, and the number of dependent children (persons under age 18).

*Examples*: In a single parent family with two children state: "# of Adults: 1, # of Children: 2."

In a two parent family with a dependent adult (grandparent) and two children state: "# of Adults: 3, # of Children: 2."

*Note*: If as a single parent, you and your child(ren) live with your mother and father, you would **NOT** include the grandparents in the family size.

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SECTION B

Provide Income Information Based on the Current Year. Fill In All Blanks. List Gross Figures Unless Otherwise Indicated. If You Receive None in a Certain Category, Write "0."

For each adult (applicant co-applicant or other dependent adult) residing in the household unit, list all current income information. Columns are provided to enter income information either by week, every two weeks, month or year. For separated or divorced spouses, include only that income (i.e., child support or alimony) which is available to the custodial family.

- 1. List all gross income due to wages and salary.
- 2. List all benefit income received from pensions and retirement.
- 3. List all benefit income received from Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
- 4. List all benefit income received from unemployment and workmen's compensation.
- 5. List all benefit income received from public assistance (TANF).

- 6. List income received from an absent parent for child support or alimony.
- 7. Include any other income received which is required to be listed for federal and state tax reporting purposes.
- 8. Indicate the annual total of all sources of income.

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SECTION C

#### **Provide Information of Current Work, School and/or Training Activity for Applicant and Co-Applicant** (if applicable).

- 1. Enter the name, complete address and telephone number of Primary Work/School/Training Site.
- 2. Check the appropriate box to indicate if activity is work, school or training.
- 3. Enter your starting date (month/date/year).
- 4. Check the appropriate box to indicate if Work/School/Training activity is full time, part time or seasonal. Enter the number of hours per week and months per year spent at site.
- 5. Include the information for your Secondary Work/School/Training activity (if applicable).

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SECTION D

**Questions 1-9.** Check the appropriate box (either "Yes" or "No") for each question. If you answer "Yes" to any of questions 2-5, provide the requested information.

**Questions 10.** Check the appropriate box to indicate if you are applying for assistance because you are ineligible for the TANF or TCC programs.

**Questions 11.** Check whether you understand you are applying for voucher or contracted child care services.

**Questions 12.** Check whether all of the children in your family have health insurance and if you wish to receive an application for NJ Family Care.

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SECTION E

1-2. Enter full name (last, first, middle initial), social security number and date of birth (month/date/year) for each child for whom assistance is requested. Check the appropriate boxes provided to indicate race, ethnicity and sex of child(ren). Indicate the hours, days and duration for which child care is needed. Check the appropriate box to indicate if the child(ren) has a special need, if yes, state the need. Check the appropriate box to indicate if the child is a US citizen. If yes, attach a copy of the child's birth certificate and social security card. Proof of the child's citizenship is not required for Abbott, Child Protective Services, Kinship or Post-Adoption sibsidies.

#### ► INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING SECTION F

After reading the certification, applicant and co-applicant (if applicable) sign on the appropriate line and include the date.



# Child Care and Early Education Service Eligibility Application

ADDRESS REPLY TO:

Bergen County Office for Children One Bergen County Plaza 2nd Floor Hackensack, NJ, 07601 201-336-7150

STATE OF NEW JERSEY • DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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\* Incomplete Applications Will Not Be Accepted \*

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## Child Care and Early Education Service Eligiblity Application Certification READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

I (we) hereby certify that all of the information provided is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge. I (we) know that submitting false information about my (our) situation, failing to give the necessary information or causing others to hold back information is against the law and may subject me (us) to prosecution. I (we) also understand that:

- 1. Acceptance of child care financial assistance is not for my (our) personal use or expenses and that federal, state and local public funds are and will be used as payment for costs that are directly associated with services rendered by a child care provider.
- 2. It is unlawful to obtain financial assistance for child care services by providing any false or misleading information, including but not limited to information about my eligibility and/or information that relates to child attendance for provider records, sign-in sheets or voucher payment forms. Examples of unlawful behavior include, but are not limited to:
  - Failing to accurately report all sources of my (our) income. Examples include, but are not limited to not reporting multiple sources of income, or an increase or decrease in wage/salary, child support payments, or alimony, or any other income.
  - Failing to accurately report the amount of my income. Examples include, but are not limited to reporting the accurate amount(s)
    of income from self-employment; rent from property ownership or changing or altering pay stub information.
  - Failing to accurately report the number of household members. Examples include, but are not limited to failing to report that my spouse or another parent/guardian is living in the household.
  - Pre-signing and dating voucher certification forms, sign-in sheets or other provider records used to track and verify child attendance.
  - Failing to accurately verify child attendance on voucher payment records/forms within the reporting timeframes.
- 3. This information is being given in connection with federal, state and local public funds and will be used through computer matching programs to confirm the accuracy of my (our) statements and verify my (our) income, resources and need for child care assistance, as warranted.
- 4. Providing the requested information, including the Social Security Numbers of Parent(s)/Applicant(s), is voluntary. Agency staff may use my (our) names and Social Security information with federal and state agencies and other sources deemed necessary for official examination. However, copies of birth certificates, social security and qualified alien resident cards, if applicable, are required for all children for whom subsiday services are being requested.
- 5. Failure to provide or deliberate misrepresentation of required information will result in the denial of my (our) application, termination of child care benefits to the family and referral to federal, state or local agencies for criminal or civil court action, garnishment of wages or tax intercept, as well as private claims collection agencies for claims action involving repayment and recovery of funds.
- 6. Providing false or misleading information in connection with my (our) application for child care financial assistance, and/or failing to report within ten days any change in my (our) family size or family income or any other circumstances that might change my (our) eligibility, such as work/school/training status, may result in the termination of my (our) child care subsidy and make me (us) ineligible to apply for and/or receive subsidized child care for a period of six months for the first violation; for a period of 12 months for a second violation; and permanent disgualification for the third violation.
- 7. If I receive financial assistance as a result of false or misleading information, I (we) may be responsible to repay the costs of child care and may be subject to a civil fine and possible criminal prosecution.
- 8. I (we) understand that in order to verify my (our) income and service need, an agency representative may need to contact my (our) employer(s). I (we) hereby authorize my (our) employer(s) to release information regarding my (our) income, pay scale, hours and schedule of work to the agency to which I am applying.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Unsigned applications cannot be processed. A copy of this docume	ent will be provided to you for your records.
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Family's Total Assessed Co-Payment, if applicable (Enter Amt. and Check One): \$	
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Note:	
Name of CCR&R or CBC Provider:	DHS/CC:3 (12/08



STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

# NJ CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

# **Application Addendum**

All families receiving a subsidy through the NJ Child Care Subsidy Program must provide the following information:

Are your family assets worth more than \$1,000,000? No Yes Note: Assets may include but are not limited to, personal bank accounts, business accounts, real estate, and personal property.								
If the primary	language spoken in your h	ome is <u>not</u> English, pleas	se specify that languag	je:				
Is the Applicant: On Full-Time Active Military Duty □ No □ Yes In the National Guard/Military Reserve □ No □ Yes Self-Employed □ No □ Yes Is there a Co-Applicant? □ No □ Yes If yes, are they: On Full-Time Active Military Duty □ No □ Yes								
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<ul> <li>Are you homeless based on one or more of the following? No Yes</li> <li>Living in an emergency or transitional shelter.</li> <li>Staying in a motel, hotel, trailer park, or campground or sharing housing with other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or similar reason.</li> <li>Living in a car, bus/train station, park, abandoned building.</li> <li>Living or sleeping in any public or private place that is not normally used as a residence or as a regular sleeping accommodation.</li> <li>Living in substandard housing (i.e. no electricity, running water, etc.).</li> </ul>								
I hereby certify that all of the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also acknowledge that submitting false or misleading information, intentionally omitting information or intentionally causing others to omit or fail to report information is cause for denial or termination from the child care program and I may be subject to all legal and equitable remedies.								
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Co-/	Applicant Name	Co-Applicant S	ignature	Date				



## COUNTY OF BERGEN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE FOR CHILDREN

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# **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

I have received the following document:

# "Regulations for the Disqualification of Services for Parents"

I understand and agree to comply with the regulations of the state. I understand that the complete regulations about this subject are available on the Bergen County Office for Children Website:

http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/index.aspx?NID=1204

Examples of Violations:

- 1. Failure to report within 10 calendar days any change in family circumstances that change eligibility
- 2. Failure to accurately report all sources of income
- 3. Failure to accurately report the amount of income
- 4. Failure to accurately report the number of household members who are required to be counted to determine family or household composition
- 5. Failure to comply with the E-Child Care Parent/Provider Responsibilities and Agreement

I understand that lack of compliance with these regulations, if substantiated, may result in:

- Written Warning notice
- First Violation One (1) month disqualification
- Second Violation three (3) months disqualification
- Third Violation Termination for up to twelve (12) months and/or permanent disqualification

# Name of Parent(s): (Print)

Signature(s):		Date:	
		Date:	
Telephone:	_ E-mail:		

(Please keep one copy and send original to the Office for Children in attached envelope)



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# Attention: Regulations for the Disqualification of Services for Parents

Parents/applicants are required, at all times, to comply with the NJ Child Care Subsidy program regulations and policies. Any type of program violation, if substantiated by OFC or DHS/DFD, will subject the parent to penalties that may include:

- Disqualification
- Termination
- Denial at time of application or reapplication
- Criminal investigation
- And/or recoupment of payments

A substantiated case of program violation will result in suspension or disqualification of child care subsidy and make parent/applicant ineligible to apply/reapply for and/or receive subsidized child care for a specified period of time depending on the number and type of violation.

Examples of General Program Violations (but are not limited to):

- a) Failure to report within 10 calendar days any change in family size/composition, family income or work/school/training status or income that exceeds program eligibility requirements
- b) Failure to accurately report all sources of income. e.g. multiple employers, increase or decrease in salary, child support payments, alimony, unemployment, workman's comp, pension, SSI, SSDI, survivor benefits or any other income.
- c) Failure to accurately report the amount of income. e.g. not reporting the accurate amounts from self-employment; rent from property ownership; altering paystub information
- d) Failure to accurately report the number of household member who are required to be counted to determine family size. e.g. failing to report that a spouse is living in the home.
- e) ECC Program Violation failure to comply with the ECC Parent'/Provider Responsibilities and Agreement

Penalties/Procedures

- 1. Warning Notice: Parent has 10 days to respond to the warning for failure to comply with child care subsidy or up to 2 weeks from date of failure to use or misuse of E-Child Care warning letter to attend training and remedy the action by demonstrating consistent use of ECC.
- 2. First Violation (except fraud) 1 month disqualification
- 3. Second Violation 3 months disqualification
- 4. Third Violation Termination for **up to** 12 months and/or permanent disqualification

Examples of violations that may be subject to up to 12 month termination include (but are not limited to):

- a) Failure to provide or provision of false or misleading or deliberate misrepresentation of, required information in connection with a new application or current case
- b) Reporting child present when child was not in attendance
- c) Repeated misuse of the ECC card resulting in multiple violations
- d) Repeated general program violations resulting in multiple violation

# **Resource Guide for Families**

No matter how hard you try, sometimes it's difficult to make ends meet. New Jersey provides a number of programs to support low-income families.



#### NJ FamilyCare

Free or low-cost health insurance NJ FamilyCare is open to children, pregnant women, parents/caretaker relatives, single adults and childless couples. Depending on your family size and monthly income, you may be eligible.

For more information, or to apply, call **1-800-701-0710 (TTY: 1-800-701-0720)** or visit *www.njfamilycare.org.* 

#### Energy Assistance Programs Help paying your energy bills

Low-income eligible households that are having a difficulty paying their heating and cooling bills can contact this office for financial assistance. Programs available include the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Universal Service Fund (USF).

For more information, call **1-800-510-3102** or visit *www.energyassistance. nj.gov.* 



### NJ Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

Reduce Your Taxes

NJEITC is a special tax benefit for low-income working families and individuals. You may get money back even though you do not owe any state taxes. To get the credit, you must file a federal tax form, be eligible for the federal EITC, file a state tax form and meet income guidelines.

For example, a family with 3 or more children earning less than \$46,997 (\$52,427 for working, married couples) in 2014 can get a combined federal and state EITC credit of up to \$7,371.

Information on the state EITC is available at **1-888-895-9179** or at www. *njeitc.org*. Information on the federal EITC is available at **1-800-829-1040** or at www.irs.gov/eitc.

#### **New Jersey WIC Services**

NJ WIC provides supplemental nutritious foods to pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants and children to age five. WIC services include nutrition education, breastfeeding promotion and support, immunization screening and health care referrals.

For more information, call at **1-866-44 NJ WIC (446-5942) or visit** *www. njwic.org* 

#### Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD)

PAAD helps pay for prescription drugs and medical supplies such as insulin, insulin needles, and syringes.

To participate in PAAD, you must be: an NJ resident; 65 or older, or at least 18 and receiving Social Security Title II Disability benefits; meet the income guidelines; and be enrolled in a Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan.

For more information, call **1-800-792-9745** or visit *www.njpaad.gov* 

#### **Other Important Resources**

- Addiction Hotline of New Jersey 1-800-238-2333
- Division of Disability Services
   Focuses on serving people who have become disabled as adults.
   1-888-285-3036
- 1-888-LSNJ-LAW Provides legal information to low-income residents of New Jersey.
   1-888-576-5529
- EndHunger NJ Provides food assistance information from local food pantries and soup kitchens for NJ residents with low incomes. www.endhungernj.org
- VA Benefit Hotline 1-888-8NJ-VETS (865-8387)
- Family/Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-572-7233
- Child Abuse/Neglect Hotline 1-877-NJABUSE (652-2873)
- NJ Dept. of Children and Families Provides other supports for children, families and women. www.nj.gov/dcf
- NJ Housing Resource Center 1-877-428-8844 www.nj.gov/njhrc



NJHelps

You can screen yourself for all of these programs and many others at **www.njhelps.org**, an easy-touse, confidential website.



Find state or local health and human service resources to address your urgent needs or everyday concerns. **www.nj211.org** 

 State of New Jersey

 Chris Christie, Governor
 Kim Guadagno, Lt. Governor

 Department of Human Services I Division of Family Development Www.nj.gov/humanservices/dfd

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