

A Roadmap to Success For Newly Licensed/Registered Child Care Programs

Congratulations on your newly licensed/registered child care program!
Follow the roadmap to success to get started.

Child Care Regulation (CCR)

- Access your [CCR Account](#)
- Find [Texas Minimum Standards](#)
- Find [Licensing Forms](#)
- Connect with your [CCR Licensing Representative](#)
- Learn how to [submit a background check](#) for an employee

TECPDS Workforce Registry

- Set up a free account to create a profile, review staff profiles, and plan professional development for your facility
- Easily [create valid certificates](#) for your facility staff meetings and trainings

Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

- Support the wellness, healthy growth, and development of young children with [nutrition and wellness resources](#) for providers and families
- Get reimbursed for [nutritious meals and snacks](#) to eligible children

Texas Rising Star

- Learn about [Texas' Quality Rating and Improvement System](#)
- Discover [enhanced reimbursement rates](#) for Texas Rising Star providers
- Connect with your local [Workforce Solutions office](#) for more information and support

TWC Child Care Services (CCS)

- Connect with your [Local Workforce Development Board](#) to become a [CCS](#) provider
- Learn about the [Children with Disabilities program](#)
- Discover more [resources for child care programs](#)

TWC Pre-K Partnerships

- Discover [how your program can benefit](#) from a formal or informal partnership
- Connect with a Pre-K Partnership staff by filling out an [interest form](#)

Child Care Availability Portal

- Let the public know about your [program availability](#)
- Parents can search for child care in their area based on their needs and the child care program's available slots

Child Care Texas Website

- Connect with a [free business coach](#) and [resources](#) to strengthen your business
- Discover [funding opportunities](#)



Resources to help you along your journey

- **Caring For Our Children: Health and Safety Foundations for Early Care and Education**
National standards that represent best practices for quality health and safety policies and practices in early childhood education settings.
- **Child Care Regulation Technical Assistance Library**
A collection of resources to help programs comply with, maintain, and/or meet minimum standards to achieve program excellence.
- **Child Care Technical Assistance Network**
Resources from the Office of Child Care and the Office of Head Start to offer information, tools, trainings and other supports.
- **Children's Learning Institute**
Access resources to support your facility, staff and families
- **Children with Disabilities**
Inclusion assistance rates for eligible CCS families with children with disabilities.
Access to [additional resources](#) for providers or families
- **Early Childhood Texas**
One stop shop for families with young children to access Texas state agency programs, services, and resources
- **Learn the Signs. Act Early.**
Free research based, parent friendly resources on child development
Download the [milestone tracker app](#) to track a child's development and find out what to do if there are concerns about how a child is developing.
- **Mental Health/Wellness Resources for Child Care Workers**
Links to resources including COVID-19, workforce wellness, and trauma-informed care for child care providers.
- **Parent Resources**
Find a job in Texas
Apply for:
 - [Child Care Assistance](#)
 - [Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program \(CHIP\)](#)
 - [WIC](#)
 - [Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program \(SNAP\)](#)
- **Professional Development Scholarships**
[Apply](#) for scholarships for early education professionals working in licensed or registered child care facilities
Earn your [CDA](#), [Associate](#), or [Bachelor degree](#) in early childhood or participate in an apprenticeship program
- **Texas AgriLife Extension**
Access free and reduced-cost online trainings that meet CCR professional development requirements
[CDA training and CDA renewal](#)
[Access to professional development for child care providers caring for children with special needs](#)
- **Texas Early Learning Guidelines**
[Texas Infant, Toddler, and Three Year Old Early Learning Guidelines](#)
[Texas Prekindergarten Guidelines](#)
[TEKS \(Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills\) for School Age children](#)