

Child Welfare Continuing Child Care (CWCCC)

FAQ for Parents and Guardians



What is Child Welfare Continuing Child Care (CWCCC)?

CWCCC is a child care subsidy program through Washington's Working Connections Child Care program. CWCCC provides 12 months of child care. Parents or Guardians do not need to be in an "approved activity" and do not need to meet any income requirements. There is no monthly co-pay for 12 months.

How do I get CWCCC?

Your caseworker will get your permission to make the referral. Once your caseworker sends the referral, you have to complete the referral by **calling Working Connections at 1-844-626-8687**. The 12 months of child care begins the date you complete your referral.

What happens if I don't call Working Connections before my child begins child care?

Payments to your child care provider will start when you complete the child care referral. CWCCC is unable to pay for child care before your referral is complete. If you don't call Working Connections to complete your referral, and your child attends child care, you will have to pay for the time they attend.

My caseworker made a CWCCC referral but at the time I didn't need child care or was on a waiting list; however, I am ready to start now. What should I do?

You have six months from the time your case closed to complete your CWCCC referral. If it is more than six months, you are no longer eligible for CWCCC, but you might be eligible for a different program. To find out, call Working Connections at 1-844-626-8687.

What types of child care are allowed?

Any licensed child care center or licensed family home in Washington or boarder cities in Idaho or Oregon that accepts subsidy payments. Family, Friends, and Neighbor Care (FFN) does not qualify for CWCCC; but, you may be able to access this by calling Working Connections at 1-844-626-8687.

What happens if I still need child care after 12 months?

You will receive a letter from Working Connections asking you to reapply. You will be asked to provide information and will be assessed to determine if you are eligible for another program. To learn more about these requirements, go to www.dcyf.wa.gov/services/earlylearning-childcare/getting-help/wccc.

I'm adopting/establishing a guardianship with a child from the child welfare system. Am I eligible?

The CWCCC program is only for parents or guardians with a DCYF child welfare case. You may be eligible for other child care assistance. Please check with your caseworker about possible resources.

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