



# NJ DIVISION OF FAMILY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OF CHILD CARE OPERATIONS

## Child Care Provider Health and Safety Preparedness Grants

### SUMMARY

The Department of Human Services, Division of Family (DHS/DFD) is making grants immediately available to support New Jersey child care centers and summer youth camps. The grant is intended to assist providers in obtaining items they may need to meet the new health and safety guidelines. Items can include, but are not limited to, personal protection equipment (masks and gloves), thermometers, cleaning products and deep cleaning services to lessen the impact of the spread of an infectious disease, such as the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Grants are available to New Jersey's licensed, approved and regulated child care providers.
- Child care providers and programs must register with the [NJ Workforce Registry](#).
- Child care providers must comply with State and Local government new health and safety guidance. information is available on following New Jersey State agencies websites:  
[https://www.nj.gov/dcf/coronavirus\\_licensedchildcare.html](https://www.nj.gov/dcf/coronavirus_licensedchildcare.html)  
<https://www.nj.gov/health/ceohs/sanitation-safety/youthcamps.shtml>  
<https://www.childcarenj.gov/Providers>
- Child care providers and programs interested in applying for the grant must submit an application with all the required documents.
- This grant is subject to an application review process and may require a site visit.

### KEY THINGS TO KNOW

#### Applications will be accepted immediately

- Grants are available to licensed centers, including licensed before and aftercare programs and summer youth camps.
- Licensed Centers up to \$5,000 and Summer Youth Camps up to \$2,000.
- All providers must apply through the [New Jersey Child Care Information System \(NJCCIS\)](#).
- This grant **cannot** be used for capital improvement purchases, i.e. building construction, renovations or major repairs.
- Once the application, affidavit and required documents are reviewed and approved, the agency will receive payment within 60 days of approval.
- Child care providers who have received funding for these same services from any other source, such as CARES Act, school districts or private grants, are not eligible for this grant.

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Guidance on cleaning and disinfecting can be found on the [CDC How to Clean and Disinfect Schools website](#).

Learn what precautions you can take by calling the NJ Coronavirus & Poison Center Hotline at 1-800-222-1222

For additional information regarding the NJ Child Care Subsidy Program, visit [www.ChildCareNJ.gov](http://www.ChildCareNJ.gov)