

HOW DO I QUALIFY FOR CHILDCARE SUBSIDY ?

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS APPLYING FOR CHILDCARE SUBSIDY

To qualify, you must live in Hastings County, be involved in

one of the following approved activities:

- Be working full or part time
- Be attending school
- Have a Parent or Child's Special Needs Referral
- Receive Ontario Works (with a referral from your Caseworker)

And met the financial criteria determined at your initial appointment with a

Child Care Caseworker

What is the Process to Apply for Child Care Subsidy?

To apply for subsidy, first decide which licensed child care program you would like your child(ren) to attend that is located in Hastings County. Please click on [Find a Program Near You!](#) This button is located on the main page.

Contact the licensed child care program to confirm there is space available for your child(ren).

Once you have confirmed your space, contact the Hastings County Intake Access Centre at 613-771-9630 or 1-866-414-0300 to schedule an appointment to complete the application process.

How Much Will I Have To Pay for Child Care?

A Child Care Caseworker will complete an "Income Test" using you and /or your spouses previous years income as determined by your Notice of Assessment or Canada Child Tax Benefit Statement.

The amount you pay is the Parent Contribution and is paid directly to the child care provider each month.



What is the Next Step?

After eligibility has been determined by your caseworker:

We send an approval letter to the childcare program informing them when your child(ren) can start and what your monthly parent contribution amount will be.

You enroll your child(ren) at the childcare program

We ask that you keep us informed of any changes in your circumstances. Our staff will review your information every six months, and a full review will be completed annually.