



Find and Afford Quality Child Care in the Community

Learn about child care fee assistance and qualified providers with Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood

The Department of Defense has expanded the availability of quality child care options for military families through its fee assistance program known as Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood, or MCCYN.

Child Care Fee Assistance Programs

Accessing affordable quality care is essential to children’s well-being and parent’s peace of mind.

MCCYN supports military families in locations with extensive wait lists as well as those that are geographically dispersed. When on-installation child care is unavailable for eligible military families, MCCYN reduces the out of pocket expense.

MCCYN-PLUS: A Pilot Program to Increase the Number of Qualified Providers

The pilot program helps bridge the gap between licensed and accredited care in locations where quality child care is limited.

Parents get more quality child care options, and eligible care providers have the opportunity to support and expand their business to military families while receiving fee assistance. The pilot

program started in Maryland and Virginia in Fall 2019. Results of the pilot will be evaluated and considered for expansion to additional states.

In addition to accredited providers, licensed care providers that demonstrate continual improvement and participate in the Maryland and Virginia Quality Rating and Improvement System, or QRIS, may be eligible for MCCYN-PLUS fee assistance.

Apply for fee assistance:
www.childcareaware.org
 Click on Fee Assistance/Respite and choose “Military Families,” then your service branch.

Learn more and find a provider:
 MD EXCELS: www.marylandexcels.org
 VA Quality: www.virginiaquality.com

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