

Maryland Child Care Scholarships



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CCDF Reauthorization – A Catalyst for Change

- **October 2014:** Child Care Administrative Tracking System (CCATS), Modified (52 weeks)
- **August 2018:** Income eligibility increased to 65% of State Median Income (SMI) for initial eligibility
- **July 2019:** Provider reimbursement rate increased to 30th percentile, at minimum, based on the April 2019 Market Rate Survey.
- **July 2020:** Provider reimbursement rates will increase to the 60th percentile.

FAMILY SIZE	OLD INCOME SCALE	NEW INCOME SCALE
2	\$24,277	\$48,637
3	\$29,990	\$60,081
4	\$35,702	\$71,525
5	\$41,414	\$82,969
6	\$47,127	\$94,413
7	\$48,198	\$96,558
8	\$49,269	\$98,704
9	\$50,340	\$100,850
10	\$51,411	\$102,996

Eligibility

Income Eligibility Levels

(as of August 1, 2018*)

Eligible children are younger than 13 years old without a disability, or younger than 19 years old with a disability.

Family Size	Gross Countable Income
Family of 2	\$48,637
Family of 3	\$60,081
Family of 4	\$71,525
Family of 5	\$82,969
Family of 6	\$94,413
Family of 7	\$96,558
Family of 8	\$98,704
Family of 9	\$100,850
Family of 10	\$102,996

Eligibility Requirements for Child Care Scholarships (CCS)

- Proof of an approved activity (e.g., work, school or job training)
- If working, most recent consecutive pay stubs (4 if paid weekly, 2 if paid bi-weekly or 1 if paid monthly)
- Proof of all other income
- Proof of child support (unless both parents are in the household)
- Proof of identity (e.g., copy of driver's license, birth certificate or government-issued identification)
- Proof of Maryland residency (e.g., utility bill or lease if signed within 3 months)
- Proof of U.S. or qualified alien status for each child needing child care (**parents do not have to be U.S. citizens**)

Access

Month	Applications Received			Calls Received		
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
July	872	1,206	1,751	8,567	10,095	24,866
August	1,239	2,228	2,421	10,852	14,592	27,623
September	1,182	2,097		10,967	15,618	

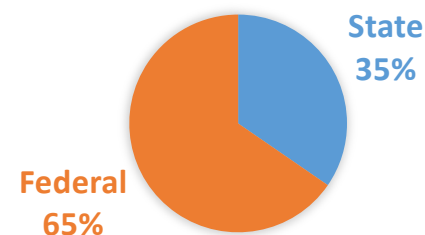
Additional Monthly Outcomes	Jan 19	Feb 19	Mar 19	Apr 19	May 19	Jun 19	Jul 19
IVR	29,187	23,832	25,564	14,474	29,879	34,225	43,484
Case management Mail Distribution	45,321	38,575	41,809	46,122	49,178	52,682	61,675

Investment

Projections for FY20

- July expenditures were \$13.5 million.
- Projections for FY20 are an estimated to be a approximately \$162 million.
- The FY20 allowance is currently at \$124.8 million
 - \$43 million state
 - \$81.3 million federal
- Currently, there is no waitlist.

FUNDING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS



Investment

FY21: 60th Percentile* for Center-based Infant Care

Total Providers	Percent of Providers	Monthly Cost
1	5%	\$714.45
2	10%	\$779.40
3	15%	\$779.40
4	20%	\$801.05
5	25%	\$844.35
6	30%	\$866.00
7	35%	\$866.00
8	40%	\$887.65
9	45%	\$930.95
10	50%	\$954.77
11	55%	\$995.90
12	60%	\$1,039.20
13	65%	\$1,039.20
14	70%	\$1,073.84
15	75%	\$1,082.50
16	80%	\$1,134.46
17	85%	\$1,153.95
18	90%	\$1,169.10
19	95%	\$1,182.09
20	100%	\$1,212.40

← 30th percentile

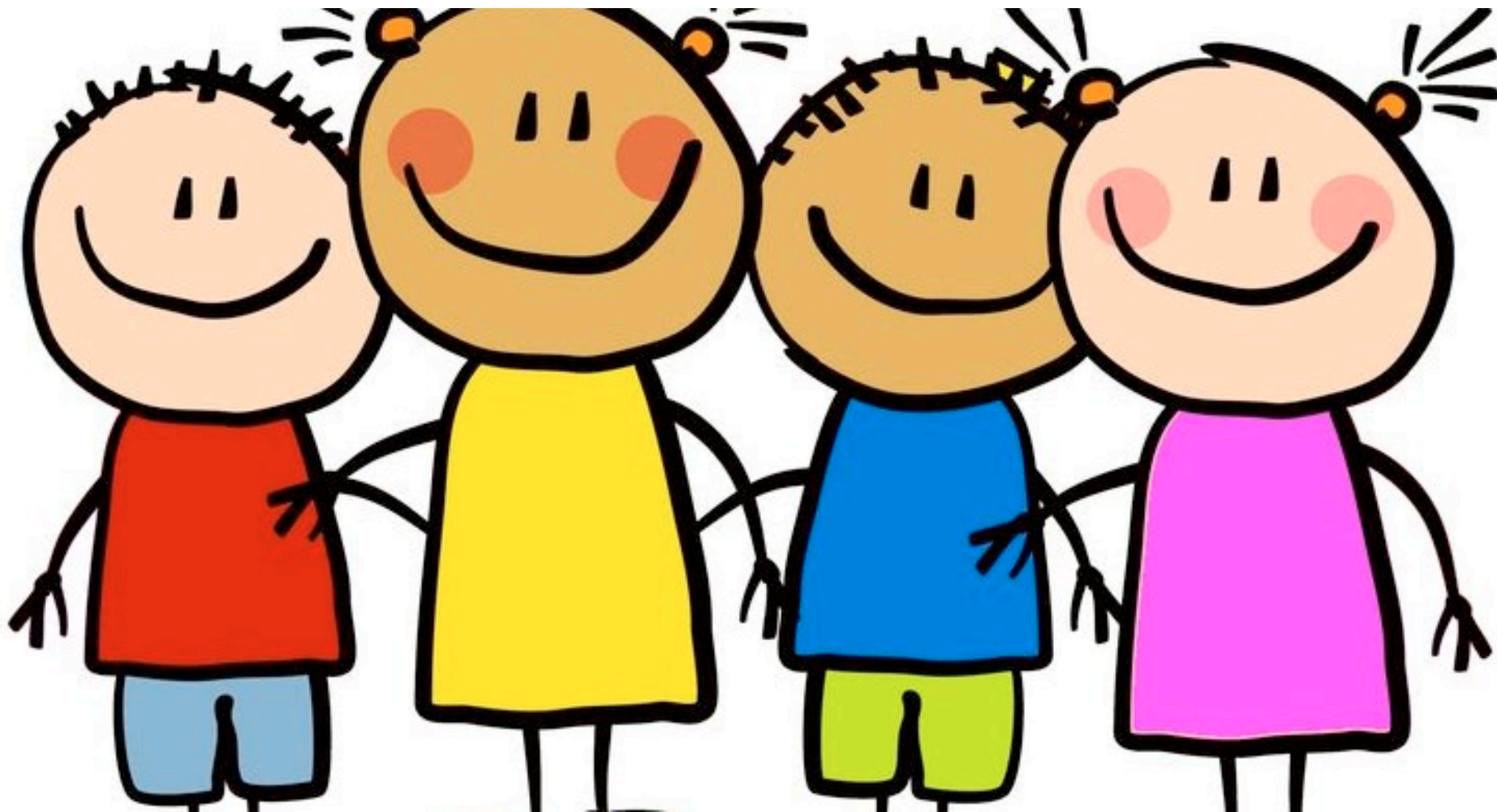
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*Region U - Cecil, Queen Anne's, St. Mary's, Talbot and Washington counties

The Future

- Revision of Child Care Subsidy Regulation to meet CCDF reauthorization.
- Program Name Change (**Child Care Scholarship Program**).
- Expanding staff in response to change –
 - Technical assistance to parents and providers
 - Monitoring of child care programs and informal providers
 - Prevention of fraud
- Using the Law of Location to increase quality early care and educational services to all children
 - Place
 - Position
 - Work It
 - Success

THANK YOU!



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