

INTAKE/REASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

Parent: _____ Child/ren: _____

Child Care Authorization End Date: _____

VERIFICATION REQUIRED

X- Complete	N/A = Not Applicable
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SOURCE OF INCOME

	Pay Stub	4 Consecutive pay stubs, if paid weekly - 2 if paid bi-weekly
	TAFDC Benefit Amount	Copy of award letter, or copy of check
	Social Security Income	Letter or statement from Social Security Office
	Child Support/Alimony	Copy of court document
	Unemployment Compensation	Benefit statement, or copy of check
	Other Income	_____

DOCUMENTATION

	Birth Certificate	For all children in household
	Birth Certificate (Parent)	Young parents under 20 years old
	Social Security Cards	For parents, guardians, and all children in subsidized care
	School/College Enrollment Verification	Letter from school/college with semester, credit hours, status, and class schedule
	Training Training Program Enrollment Verification	Confirmation or enrollment letter with dates, status, and class schedule
	Photo I.D.	Driver's license, Mass I.D., Passport, etc.
	Custody/Guardianship	Copy of court document needed at each reassessment
	Proof of Residency	Copy of rent lease, utility bill, etc., dated within las 45 days
	Child Care Voucher	From Childcare Resources
	Incapacity of Parent /Child	EEC form completed by health care provider
	Maternity Leave	Statement from health care provider
	Job Search	Statement on letterhead indicating last day/date of employment

HEALTH RELATED DOCUMENTATION

	Current Physical	Signed and dated by child's physician
	Updated Immunization Record	Signed and dated by child's physician
	Medical Insurance Card	Current
	Oher Documentation	_____

Reviewed by ✓ _____

Date: ✓ _____

FACE SHEET/REQUEST FOR SERVICES FOR PRESCHOOL, SCHOOL AGE, HBCC

For Internal Use Only	Date of Admission: ____/____/____
Placement Authorization Start Date: ____/____/____	Age at time of Admission ____ Yrs. ____ Months
Placement Authorization End Date: ____/____/____	

Substitute Provider: _____

Must supply a copy of the birth certificate

Child Name: _____ Provider's Name: _____
 DOB: _____ Provider's Address: _____
 Place of Birth: _____ Provider's Phone #: _____
 Medical Concern: _____ Involved with Early Intervention ☐ Yes ☐ No

Parent or Legal Guardian #1	Parent or Legal Guardian #2
Name: _____	Name: _____
Home Address: _____	Home Address: _____
City/Town: _____ Zip _____	City/Town: _____ Zip _____
Home telephone: (____) _____	Home telephone: (____) _____
Work or School: _____	Work or School: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City/town _____ Zip _____	City/town _____ Zip _____
Hours: _____ a.m. to _____ p.m.	Hours: _____ a.m. to _____ p.m.
Daytime telephone: (____) _____	Daytime telephone: (____) _____
Email address: _____	Email address: _____

Child's Physician Clinic: _____
Phone Number: _____

Identity Information: (Required by the Department of Early Education and Care Regulations)

Eye Color: _____ Hair Color: _____ Sex: _____
 Height: _____ Weight: _____ Race: _____
 Identifying Marks: _____ (may attach a recent photo if available)

System Hours and Anticipated Days/Time of Attendance

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.

AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY ADULTS

Child's Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

My child can only be picked up from childcare by the following persons.

These individuals may authorize emergency medical care until I am available.

1. Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____
Address: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Home phone: _____

☐ Pick up child ☐ Authorize emergency medical care in my absence.

2. Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____
Address: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Home phone: _____

☐ Pick up child ☐ Authorize emergency medical care in my absence.

3. Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____
Address: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Home phone: _____

☐ Pick up child ☐ Authorize emergency medical care in my absence.

4. Name: _____ Relationship to child: _____
Address: _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Home phone: _____

☐ Pick up child ☐ Authorize emergency medical care in my absence.

✓ _____
Parent/Guardian Signature

✓ _____ / _____
Home Phone # / Work phone #

✓ _____
Address, City, Zip

✓ _____
Date

EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

Emergency Card Information

REMINDER: This emergency card information is for the educator's first aid kit. The educator must take first aid materials when leaving the childcare premises.

PARENTS: We will make every effort to reach you if your child becomes ill or injured. If we cannot reach you, we will contact an Authorized Emergency Adult. If we cannot contact an Authorized Emergency Adult, we may need permission to receive medical help for your child.

Child's Name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Home Address: _____

Phone: _____

Known Allergies: _____

Emergency Contact Person(s):

1. _____
(Name, Address, Home and Cell Phone #)

2. _____
(Name, Address, Home and Cell Phone #)

List Medical Concerns/Considerations or Medications:

Your Child's Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

Referring Doctor's Hospital: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Medical Treatment

I hereby give Worcester Comprehensive Education and Care's Home-Based Child-Care Provider permission to

Administer basic first aid/CPR to my child _____
(Name)

And/or transport/or by ambulance if needed to a hospital for medical treatment when I cannot be reached or when delay would be dangerous to my child's health. When I am not available, I give my permission to the hospital or doctor to give my child the emergency emergency treatment necessary.

✓ _____
Parent/Guardian Signature

✓ _____
Date

Written Acknowledgement of Receipt of Parent Handbook

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the provider's parent handbook as well as information regarding lead poisoning prevention (may be included in the parent handbook)

✓ _____
Parent/Guardian

✓ _____
Date

Parental Visit Notice

I understand that I may visit this family childcare home unannounced at any time during the hours that my child is in care.

✓ _____
Parent/Guardian

✓ _____
Date

SCHOOL AGE ONLY

Current School: _____

School Address: _____

I certify that documentation of physical examination and immunizations in accordance with public school health requirements, and lead poisoning screening in accordance with public health requirements are on file at my child's school.

Parent/guardian initials: ✓ _____

Field Trip Permission:

Walking neighborhood field trips are required by the Massachusetts Department of Education & Care.

I give my permission for my child to participate in WCEC field trips	☐ YES ☐ NO
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Specific trips may include Parks/Playgrounds – Supermarkets - Post Office - Other: _____

*Written parental permission must be given for any other field trip in which your child participates.

Face Painting

I give my permission for my child to participate in face painting activities.	☐ YES ☐ NO
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Photo Permission:

*If you are NOT the parent or legal guardian of the child, or if you are the foster parent of the child, please DO NOT check yes on any box.

I give my permission for the classroom to take photographs of my child to use in classroom displays and scrapbook	* ☐ YES ☐ NO
I give my permission for photographs of videotapes of my child to be used for publicity in community pro-grams and activities	* ☐ YES ☐ NO
I give my permission for photographs or videotapes of my child to be used for publicity on the WCEC website	* ☐ YES ☐ NO
I authorize Worcester Comprehensive Education and Care to use my child's photo on its Annual Report. This report will be made available to the community via mail, posting and other electronic means	* ☐ YES ☐ NO

✓ _____
Parent/Guardian's Signature

✓ _____
Date

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
PARENT CONTACT INFORMATION FORM**

The Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) requires that families maintain updated contact information, which includes: physical address, mailing address, phone number(s), and e-mail addresses. If your contact information changes during your Authorization period, you must submit a copy of this form to your Subsidy Administrator. These changes are expected to be reported immediately, but no later than 30 days from the date of the change. **All correspondence will be sent to the address on file. If we do not have a current and accurate address, it may impact our ability to reach you with important notices in a timely manner.** Documentation of the change (such as proof of address) does not need to be submitted until your next Reauthorization. Please complete the entire form.

Please check appropriate box:

☐ **Initial**

☐ **Change/Update**

Physical Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Number: _____

Work Number: _____

Mobile Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

EEC encourages the use of technology to notify Parents of any changes to your subsidy or to advise that it is time to have your subsidy Reauthorized. Please indicate below if you are requesting to receive your notifications via e-mail.

Notifications via e-mail is offered by this Subsidy Administrator: ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes, I would like to receive notifications via e-mail

☐ No, I would like to receive notifications via U.S. mail

Signature of Parent: _____ Date: _____

Print Parent Name: _____

Subsidy Administrator Agency Name: _____

Subsidy Administrator Staff Member: _____

Received on: _____
DATE

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Early Education and Care

Small Group and Large Group Transportation Plan and Authorization

CHILD'S NAME: _____

MY CHILD WILL ARRIVE AT THE PROGRAM:

___ PARENT DROP OFF

___ SUPERVISED WALK

___ UNSUPERVISED WALK

___ PUBLIC/PRIVATE/VAN

___ PROGRAM BUS/VAN

___ CONTRACT/VAN

___ PRIVATE TRANS. ARRANGED BY PARENT

___ OTHER

MY CHILD WILL DEPART FROM THE PROGRAM:

___ PARENT PICK UP

___ SUPERVISED WALK

___ UNSUPERVISED WALK

___ PUBLIC/PRIVATE/VAN

___ PROGRAM BUS/VAN

___ CONTRACT/VAN

___ PRIVATE TRANS. ARRANGED BY PARENT

___ OTHER

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___ PUBLIC/PRIVATE/VAN

___ PROGRAM BUS/VAN

___ CONTRACT/VAN

___ PRIVATE TRANS. ARRANGED BY PARENT

___ OTHER

PARENT /GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

REFER TO FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE CONSENT FORM FOR RELEASE INFORMATION

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION AGREEMENT**

Your child(ren) are receiving an EEC child care subsidy and are expected to attend the early education and care program, as agreed on your child care authorization. Your provider is responsible to make sure that your child(ren) attends based on the agreed schedule.

EEC defines **Excessive Absences** as more than 45 non-attended days, including any unexplained absences, within a 12-month Authorization period, or more than 15 non-attended days during an initial 12-week Provisional Authorization period. Parent(s) will have to pay for all non-attended days over the 45-day limit during a 12-month authorization or all non-attended days over the 15 day limit during a 12-week Provisional Authorization.

To help avoid having to pay for Excessive Absences you must:

- 1. Make sure that your child(ren) attend(s) the early education and care program.**
- 2. Notify your Subsidy Administrator of any changes in your child(ren)'s schedule of care (i.e., after school programs, sports, custody arrangements) which will result in your child(ren) not needing childcare on a particular day or days of the week.**
- 3. Provide at least 2 weeks advance written notice if you plan to remove your child(ren) from the childcare program; and**
- 4. Request an Approved Break in Care for absences that are going to be longer than 2 weeks.**

You will receive notices from your Subsidy Administrator after your child(ren) have reached 30 absences and 40 absences. If you have a 12-week Provisional Authorization, you will be notified after your child(ren) have reached 10 absences. The purpose of these notices are to inform you when your child(ren) are approaching the Excessive Absence limit so that you can be aware of the impact of future absences.

After your child(ren) have reached their 45th absence, or the 15th absence during a 12-week Provisional Authorization period, you will be notified that your child(ren) have reached the Excessive Absence limit and that you are now responsible for the payment of all additional absences during the authorization period at the full rate that EEC pays for your child care. You will be asked to sign the Excessive Absence Warning Notice form confirming that you are willing to remain in care and will be responsible for the payment of all absences during the remainder of the authorization period. Please note that failure to sign the form **will not** excuse you from paying for additional non-attended days. **Failure to pay for additional absences may result in the termination of your subsidized childcare.**

EEC defines **Excessive Unexplained Absences** as failure to attend a subsidized childcare program for more than three consecutive Days without contacting the provider. The first time your child is absent more than 3 days in a row during a 12-month Authorization, your provider or the Subsidy Administrator will issue you an Excessive Unexplained Absence Warning Notice that any additional instances of Excessive Unexplained Absences may result in the termination of child care. **To avoid having unexplained absences, you must make sure to contact your provider every day that your child(ren) will not attend.**

My signature below indicates that I understand the information in this document and agree to comply with the requirements above.

Printed Name of Parent

Date

Signature of Parent

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
PARENT TRANSPORTATION REQUEST FORM**

In limited circumstances, subsidized families may be approved for transportation between home or school and child care. Subject to funding availability, programs will be reimbursed at the Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) approved rate for one way or round trip transportation, based on a family's need. Subsidy Administrators must assess and document the parent's need for transportation, taking into consideration such factors as: (1) the availability of public transportation; (2) whether a parent has a car; (3) any physical incapacity of the parent that may prevent the parent from transporting the child; and (4) whether the parent's work schedule prevents transportation of the child to or from care. A family who lives within one half (1/2) mile of the provider will not receive transportation funding, unless exceptional circumstances exist. Please refer to the EEC Financial Policy Guide for guidance.

I, _____, am requesting transportation services for my child(ren). I confirm that:

- ☐ I live more than one half (1/2) mile from the program;
- ☐ I do not have access to a vehicle;
- ☐ I do not have access to public transportation;
- ☐ I have a verified disability/special need that prevents me from transporting my child(ren)*; and/or
- ☐ My work schedule prevents me from transporting my child(ren) to or from care.

*The disability must be verified in writing by a Physician, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Nurse Practitioner or Psychiatric Nurse on the letterhead of your health care practitioner.

I am requesting:

☐ One-way transportation – or – ☐ Two-way transportation

Full Names and Dates of Birth of your child(ren) for whom you are requesting transportation.

I understand that providing false or misleading information in connection with this request for transportation may result in termination of my child care subsidy and an obligation to repay the cost of child care. I have been informed that transportation is subject to funding availability and may be terminated without prior notice.

Signature of Parent

Date

Signature of Subsidy Administrator Staff Member

Date

This form must be maintained in the family's file.

Effective Date: March 1, 2019

Child Specific Observation/Consultation Consent Form

Child: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Contact #: _____

Name of Program: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

Contact #: _____

☐ I give my permission for the above mentioned Childcare Program to exchange information about my child with the TFK Behavioral Health Consultant.

☐ I give my permission for the TFK Behavioral Health Consultant to provide some or all of the following services:

1. Observation of my child in the school/childcare setting.
2. Social-emotional, behavioral screening/assessment.
3. Consultation with the childcare program's staff regarding behavioral and/or social-emotional issues.
4. Consultation with the parent or guardian.
5. Development of an individual behavior support plan.
6. Modeling of behavior management strategies.
7. Recommendations for ongoing services.

☐ I understand the TFK Behavioral Health Consultant will be contacting me and keeping me updated on all of the services that are recommended and/or provided.

I understand that I may revoke this consent to receive services at any future time.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____
(if needed)

DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Regulations for licensed childcare programs require this information to be on file to address the needs of children while in care.

Note: Please provide information for infants and Toddlers (marked) as appropriate to the age of your child.

DEVELOPMENTAL HISTORY

Age child began sitting	_____ months ☐ n/a	* Any speech difficulties?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Age child began crawling	_____ months ☐ n/a	*Child has a fussy time of day?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Age child began walking	_____ months ☐ n/a	*Uses pacifier?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Age child began talking	_____ months ☐ n/a	*Any history of colic?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Language spoken at home	☐ English ☐ Spanish ☐ *Other		

*Comment here: _____

HEALTH

Any known complications at birth?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Special physical conditions, disabilities:	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Serious illnesses and/or hospitalizations:	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Allergies i.e. asthma, hay fever, insect bites, medicine, food reactions:	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Regular Medications:	* ☐ Yes ☐ No		

*Comment here: _____

EATING HABITS

Favorite foods?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Food refused?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
Special characteristics or difficulties: _____			

* If infant is on a special formula, describe its preparation in detail _____

*Comment here: _____

TOILETING HABITS

Uses Diaper?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Constipation Problems?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
*Frequent occurrence of diaper rash	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	*Special words to use bathroom?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
*Are bowel movements regular?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	*Does your child have accidents?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
*Is there a problem with diarrhea?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	*Reluctant to use the bathroom?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
*Has toilet training been attempted?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Child uses potty chair	* ☐ Yes ☐ No

Comment here: _____

SLEEPING HABITS

Does child sleep in a crib?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Does your child become tired or naps during the day?	* ☐ Yes ☐ No
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*Comment here: _____

Please Note: The American Academy of Pediatrics has determined that placing a baby on his/her back to sleep reduces the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). SIDS is the sudden and unexplained death of a baby under one year of age. If your child does not usually sleep on his/her back, please contact your physician immediately to discuss the best sleeping position for your baby. Please also take the time to discuss your child's sleeping position with your educator. Your educator will place your infant on his/her back unless there is a written physician's order that specifies otherwise.

When does your child go to bed at night? _____ and get up in the morning? _____
Describe any special characteristics or needs (stuffed animal, story, mood on walking etc.) _____

SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP

How would you describe your child?

Previous experience with other children or childcare settings: _____

Reaction to strangers: _____

Favorite toys and activities: _____

Fear (the dark, animals, etc.): _____

How do you comfort your child? _____

What is the method of behavior management/discipline at home? _____

What would you like your child to gain from this childcare experience? _____

DAILY SCHEDULE: Please describe your child's schedule on a typical day.

*For infants, please include awakening, eating, time out of crib/bed, napping, toilet habits, fussy time, night bedtime, etc. _____

Is there anything else we should know about your child? _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: ✓ _____

Date: ✓ _____

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
PARENT INFORMATION SHEET**

The Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) provides funding for early education and care for your child (ren). This financial assistance, also known as a subsidy or as subsidized child care, enables your child(ren) to attend quality early education and care programs at a reduced rate. We want to work with you to maintain your eligibility for subsidized care so we have put together this check list to assist you in keeping this benefit.

HOW YOU CAN MAINTAIN YOUR EARLY EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE SUBSIDY:

- You must maintain a “service need” for a minimum number of hours. EEC defines “service need” as employment or enrollment in an education or training program:
 - If you have 20 hours of a service need, you are eligible for part-time child care (up to 30 hours of care each week)
 - If you have 30 hours of a service need, you are eligible for full-time child care (up to 50 hours of care each week)
 - You may combine work and education/training to meet the minimum number of hours.
- Your child(ren) must attend his/her early education and care program as authorized by your Subsidy Administrator
- You must maintain open communication at all times with your Subsidy Administrator listed below regarding any changes that might affect your eligibility. Temporary and Non-temporary changes **must** be reported immediately, but no later than 30 days after the change.

Temporary changes include changes to your situation such as:

 - Any time-limited absence from your service need due to an illness or need to care for a family member (includes maternity/paternity leave);
 - Any interruption in work for a seasonal worker who is between regular work seasons;
 - Any reduction in your service need hours, as long as you are still working or attending education/training;
 - Any other break in your service need that does not exceed 12 weeks; and
 - Any change in residency within Massachusetts.

Non-temporary changes include changes to your situation such as:

 - Increases in your total household income that exceed 85% of State Median Income (SMI);
 - Changes in your household’s composition (who lives with you) for more than 30 total days during your 12 month authorization;
 - Changes in your child(ren)’s custody arrangements;
 - Any out of state change in address;
 - Any change or break in your service need that lasts more than 12 weeks.
- You must maintain accurate contact information with your Subsidy Administrator (Phone, address, and e-mail address).
- You must pay all assigned parent fees on time.
- You must submit all required documents to complete your Reauthorization prior to the end date of your current authorization to continue subsidized child care if you are eligible.
- You must comply with all Regulations and Policies as required by EEC, your Subsidy Administrator, and your Provider.

POTENTIAL CAUSES OF TERMINATION OR DENIAL OF SUBSIDIZED EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE

- Failing to report a non-temporary change, failing to accurately report income, failing to respond to an EEC request, or Non-Payment or late payment of your assigned parent fee (this is called “Intentional Program Violation”)
- Providing false or misleading information about your household size, income, family composition, or service need (this is called “Substantiated Fraud”)
- If you engage in Substantiated Fraud or have an Intentional Program Violation, your subsidized child care may be terminated but you also may receive sanctions that will prevent you from accessing subsidized child care for a period of time. You may also be required to repay the cost of child care, and/or you may be assessed a criminal/civil fine.
- Sanction (period of time when you are not allowed to have subsidized child care) that has been issued to you by EEC
- Not having a service need of work or education/training
- Failure to meet financial eligibility, including being over income or having too many assets (vehicles, cash, houses, etc.)
- Failure to submit required documentation on time
- Failure to maintain your residence within Massachusetts
- Your child’s lack of attendance on authorized days without notice to the program (Excessive Unexplained Absences)
- Abandonment of Subsidy (not having a placement for your child for more than 30 days unless you have an Approved Break in Care)
- Failure to comply with EEC, Subsidy Administrator, or Provider policies may result in termination of care at a particular program, but not the loss of your subsidized child care.

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
PARENT INFORMATION SHEET**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO KEEP IN YOUR SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE HOME FILE

When you leave your appointment today you will receive a copy of the following documents:

- **Voucher** (if applicable) – this form includes the following information: the period of time you are authorized for; where your child(ren) are authorized to attend; your parent fee (if applicable)
- **Application and Fee Agreement** – this form includes the following information: all members of your household; all household income; where your child(ren) are authorized to attend; your parent fee (if applicable)
- **Financial Assistance Agreement** – this form explains your rights and obligations for EEC subsidized child care
- **Household Income Statement** – this form confirms the income information that you have reported to your Subsidy Administrator
- **Household Composition Statement** - this form confirms the members of your household that you have reported to your Subsidy Administrator
- **Attendance Notification Agreement** – this form explains EEC's attendance policies and what your responsibility is if your child will not attend on any given day he/she is authorized to attend
- **SMI Calculation Sheet** – this form provides what 85% of the State Median Income (SMI) would be for your household size and provides instructions on how to calculate your new SMI if you have an increase in income

At least 45 days prior to the end of your subsidy, a reminder notice will be sent to you so that you may confirm your ongoing eligibility for subsidized child care and complete your Reauthorization. To help you, we have scheduled your next appointment and it is included with the information below. **If you must change your appointment date and/or time, please ensure that you schedule your appointment and complete your Reauthorization no later than _____ days before the end date of your current Authorization.** Please be sure to place this in your personal file and mark it on your calendar.

PARENT SIGNATURE

DATE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Your Current Authorization Expires On: _____ Your Next Appointment is On: _____

Your FID# (Family Identification Number): _____

Your Subsidy Administrator's Agency is: _____

Your Subsidy Administrator's Name is: _____

Your Subsidy Administrator's number is: _____

Your Subsidy Administrator's Fax is: _____

Your Subsidy Administrator's E-mail is: _____

If you have any questions about these policies, please contact your Subsidy Administrator listed above.

Effective Date: March 1, 2019

PHYSICIAN'S EXAMINATION

Return to: Worcester Comprehensive Education and Care, Inc.
160 Tacoma St. Worcester, MA 01605
Tel. No. (508) 852-3792 Fax. (508) 853-1520

Child's Name: _____ Sex _____ Birth Date _____ Tel. No. _____
Address: _____ Parents Name: _____

Immunizations	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Varicella						
DTP						
Tetanus						
IPV/OPV						
MMR						
Tuberculin (specify type, results in mm)						
Lead						
HIB Vaccine						
HepB						

MEDICAL HISTORY (Give Dates)

Accidents	Ear Infections	Measles	Scarlet Fever
Allergy	Encephalitis	Meningitis	Strep Throat
Chicken Pox	Rubella	Mumps	Tonsillitis
Congenital Anomaly	Heart Disease	Operations	Tuberculosis
Convulsions	Hernia	Poliomyelitis	Whooping Cough
Diabetes	Kidney Disease	Rheumatic Fever	Other

PERTINENT FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY

Does this child have a medical exemption for any vaccination due to allergies (i.e., MMR due to egg allergy)?

** PRESENT REQUIREMENT NECESSARY: LEAD PAINT TESTING FOR ALL CHILDREN UNDER 7 YEARS OF AGE. PLEASE
RECORD RESULTS HERE _____ DATE _____

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT PROGRAMS INCLUDING CURRENT MEDICATIONS AND SUGGESTION FOR
PROGRAM ADJUSTMENT IF INDICATED

Check Specific Area Emphasis or Concern

Basis Hearing Test _____ Speech/Language Evaluation _____ Developmental Evaluation _____

Team Evaluation _____ Other _____

Remarks:

PRIVATE PHYSICIAN'S EXAMINATION

In order to ensure a quality standard of complete examination for each school child, please record your findings after each item.

(O) Normal

(X) Abnormal

DATE: _____

	Comment	Treatment
Age BP Pulse		
Physical Development Height Weight		
Nutritional Status		
Skin		
Eyes Scora Pupils		
Light and Distance / /		
Glasses		
Nose Spectrum Turbinate		
Mouth Lips Tongue Pharynx		
Teeth Gingival		
Neck Mobility Lymph nodes Thyroid		
Throat Shape Symmetry		
Heart Rate Rhythm Murmur		
Abdomen Liver Spleen		
Ano-Genital Anus Penis		
Testicles Labia		
Spine		
Lower Extremities Range of Motion		
Development Strength		
Upper Extremities Range of Motion		
Development Strength		
Cranial Nose I-XII		
Gait		
Coordination		
Lab Test		
HGB/HCT		
URINALYSIS		
Specific Gravity Protein Sugar Cells Bacteria		

Physician's Signature

Date



MASSACHUSETTS
**Department of
Early Education and Care**
CHILD CARE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

Family ID # _____

This document explains your rights and responsibilities for Child Care Financial Assistance. Read this document carefully and let your Family Access Administrator (FAA) know if you do not understand or have questions.

FAA Agency Name _____ Email Address _____

FAA Staff Member Name _____ Phone Number _____

You have been approved for Child Care Financial Assistance:

Authorization Start Date _____ Authorization End Date _____

- Your FAA must also complete a placement for each child to enroll and start care
- If you have been approved under Seeking Approved Activity, you must verify a service need before the end of the 12-week period to receive the full 12-month authorization

Please review and initial each space below to acknowledge that you understand and agree to each statement. Please keep a copy for your records.

_____ I understand that intentionally providing false or misleading information or documentation and/or hiding or withholding information for the purpose of establishing or maintaining eligibility or increasing the level of Child Care Financial Assistance is considered Substantiated Fraud. Substantiated Fraud may result in the termination of my Child Care Financial Assistance. Some examples of Substantiated Fraud include, but are not limited to:

- Not reporting who is in my household (for example not reporting another parent lives with you).
- Not reporting all sources of my income (for example, part-time/per diem employment, rental income, alimony, gig work, or other non-traditional work arrangements).
- Altering or falsifying the income or income documents you receive (for example, not reporting all money received from self-employment, or altering or falsifying pay stubs).
- Not accurately reporting service need or changes to service need for all parents (for example, providing pay stubs for a job you no longer have). A service need is the activity or other qualifying reason your family needs child care, including work, education, or training - during the time you need child care.

_____ I understand that if I receive Child Care Financial Assistance as a result of Substantiated Fraud, I will be responsible for repayment of the full amount of the Child Care Financial Assistance received through fraud and I may be held criminally responsible.

_____ I understand that if I have been approved for Child Care Financial Assistance under Seeking Approved Activity, I must verify that I have a qualifying service need to continue my child care services after the 12 week provisional period or my Child Care Financial Assistance will end.

_____ I understand that to verify my income and service need, EEC or the FAA may need to contact my employer(s), college/university, school, or training program. I authorize my employer(s) or school administration to release information about my income, pay, hours, schedule of work, and school enrollment information to EEC or my FAA.

_____ I understand that I must report changes as stated below:

Changes that must be reported within 30 days:

- increases in total household income exceeding 85% of State Median Income (SMI)
- changes in family contact information; household composition; or child custody arrangements
- moving out of state
- any change to or ending of a parent's service need that lasts more than 12 weeks

I understand that failure to report the changes above within 30 days will result in an Intentional Program Violation (IPV) and may make me subject to disqualification from Child Care Financial Assistance.

Changes that can be reported at any time during an authorization period, or at reauthorization:

- time limited absence from a service need due to illness or need to care for a family member (including parental leave)
- interruption in work for a seasonal worker or reduction in service need hours (as long as the parent is still working or attending training or education)
- any semester or holiday breaks for a parent participating in education or training; change or ending of a parent's service need that lasts less than 12 weeks
- income changes that do not exceed 85% of State Median Income (SMI)

_____ I must communicate with my child care provider any time my child will be absent. I understand that if my child does not attend care 30 days consecutively or more than 45 days total within my 12 month authorization or 20 absences within a 12 week provisional authorization, my child care provider may decide to end my placement at their program. I am responsible for my parent fee for every day that the provider is open, available for care and my child is scheduled to attend, even if absent.

_____ I understand that I may request an Approved Break in Care from my child care provider if my child will be absent from care for an extended period of time (e.g. extended illness, visit with a non-custodial parent, etc.) If I am on an approved break in care I will not be responsible for parent fees. My child care provider may hold my child's seat but is not required to.

_____ I understand my authorization for Child Care Financial Assistance will remain active as long as I use child care services during my 12 month authorization period and remain eligible under EEC rules. I understand that I must have my eligibility redetermined prior to the end of my 12 month authorization.

_____ I understand I may access a child care placement at a program any time during my 12 month authorization based on my child care needs. I will give my child care provider at least 2 weeks' notice if I am ending my care with their program.

_____ I may request an EEC review if I feel that my FAA has not determined my eligibility for Child Care Financial Assistance correctly, including being denied or terminated.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE (EEC)
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
Household Composition Statement

Household Rules for Subsidized Child Care:

- Parents must report all the members of their household as a part of their subsidy application. I understand that I may need to provide documentation for the people listed below.
- Parents must report any changes in who they live with if the change lasts more than 30 total days during a 12 month Authorization.
- A parent who gives false or misleading information may:
 - Be investigated for fraud;
 - Lose their child care subsidy; and/or
 - Have to repay the cost of child care paid on your behalf by EEC.
- The following is a list of people who would count as a member of my household:
 - My spouse, even if they are not related to my children;
 - The other parent of my child who lives in the home with me;
 - My child(ren) who are younger than 18 years old;
 - My child(ren) who are younger than 24 years old if the child is in school full time; and
 - Any relative of my child (Sibling, aunt, uncle, or grandparent) who lives in my home who is financially dependent on me and is claimed as a dependent on my tax returns.
- If you have questions on who will count, please ask the agency confirming your child care eligibility.

Please read carefully and mark "X" on all that apply:

- ☐ I Am Legally Married
If yes, spouse's name and date of birth: _____
- ☐ I Live with My Child(Ren)'s other parent
If yes, Father/Mother's Name and Date of Birth: _____
- ☐ I Am Legally Divorced
- ☐ I Am Widowed
- ☐ I Am Legally Separated From My Legal Spouse
If yes, Spouse's Name and Date of Birth: _____
- ☐ I Am Informally Separated From My Legal Spouse
If yes, Spouse's Name and Date of Birth: _____
- ☐ I Do Not Live With The Father/Mother Of My Child(Ren)

I live with these family members (add names on the back if there are not enough rows):

Full Name	Date of Birth	Relationship To Me

I swear under penalty of perjury that this information is correct and complete.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Last 4 digits of Social Security Number

Effective Date: September 30, 2021

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
HOUSEHOLD INCOME STATEMENT**

Please read carefully and mark "X" to all that apply. You may be asked to provide documentation of income.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information below is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. Providing inaccurate details about my household income will lead to the conclusion that I provided false or misleading information. I understand that providing false or misleading information to my child care Subsidy Administrator and the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (EEC) may result in the immediate termination of my child care subsidy. I also understand that EEC may require that I repay any improper payments for child care financial assistance that I received after I provided false or misleading information.

☐ **I AM CURRENTLY RECEIVING (COMPLETE ALL THAT APPLY - DO NOT LEAVE LINES BLANK, PUT A ZERO IN IF IT DOES NOT APPLY):**

Type of Income	Parent #1 Amount	Parent #1 Frequency (Monthly, Weekly, etc)	Parent #2 Amount	Parent #2 Frequency (Monthly, Weekly, etc)
Earnings from Employment	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Tips Earned	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Business Income	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Commission	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Child Support	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Alimony	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
TAFDC (NOT SNAP Benefits)	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
DTA Transitional Stipends	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Rental Income	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
SSI / SSDI	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Unemployment Compensation	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Workers' Compensation	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Veteran's Benefits (i.e. retirement, disability, etc.)	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Dividends or Income from Trusts/Estates	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____
Other _____	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____	_____

☐ **I RECEIVE IN-KIND SUPPORT.** In-kind support can include receiving money from the non-custodial parent for things like: diapers, food, gas, payment of a bill or mortgage, informal alimony, or other forms of support. In-Kind support **does not** include payments made through DOR or the Courts.

The estimated value of this support is: \$ _____
I receive this support (circle one): *Annually Monthly Weekly Irregularly*

If You are NOT Receiving ANY Support:

- ☐ I have a court order for child support, however, I am not receiving support at this time.
☐ I have a court order for alimony, however, I am not receiving support at this time.
☐ I am **NOT** receiving any alimony, spousal, child support or other compensation FROM ANY COURT ORDER OR OTHER AGREEMENT. I do not receive support from any source at this time, including in-kind support.

_____ (Initial) I certify that my household does not have assets with a combined value of more than \$1 million. Assets are valuables including, but not limited to, all houses or other buildings, real property, vehicles, cash, bank accounts, cash value of life insurance policies, trusts, stocks, bonds, and overall business value, including equipment, jewelry, livestock, or other goods.

Print Parent Name

Social Security Number

Signature

Date

Effective Date: March 1, 2019



Amy Kershaw
ACTING COMMISSIONER

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE

INCOME ELIGIBILITY TABLE

Use This Form to Determine Family Eligibility:

1. Find the column with the family's size written at the top.
2. Read down the column until you come to the correct income (either annual or monthly).
3. Then read directly across to the left to determine "Percent of State Median Income."
4. Please refer to relevant SMI Percentage (i.e. initial vs. reassessment - OR - special needs) to determine the family's eligibility.

% of State Median Income (SMI)	Family of Two		Family of Three		Family of Four		Family of Five		Family of Six		Family of Seven	
	Annual	Monthly*	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
50% SMI	\$46,218	\$3,852	\$57,093	\$4,758	\$67,968	\$5,664	\$78,843	\$6,570	\$89,718	\$7,477	\$91,757	\$7,646
85% SMI	\$78,571	\$6,548	\$97,058	\$8,088	\$115,546	\$9,629	\$134,033	\$11,169	\$152,521	\$12,710	\$155,987	\$12,999

% of State Median Income (SMI)	Family of Eight		Family of Nine		Family of Ten		Family of Eleven		Family of Twelve	
	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
50% SMI	\$93,796	\$7,816	\$95,835	\$7,986	\$97,874	\$8,156	\$99,913	\$8,326	\$101,952	\$8,496
85% SMI	\$159,453	\$13,288	\$162,920	\$13,577	\$166,386	\$13,866	\$169,852	\$14,154	\$173,318	\$14,443

*To calculate a monthly income from a weekly income multiply by 4.33.

*To calculate a monthly income from a bi-weekly income multiply by 2.17.

Effective October 1, 2022

**THE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE
SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE
STATE MEDIAN INCOME (SMI) CALCULATION WORKSHEET**

Families receiving financial assistance meet the income requirements provided that the total gross monthly income for the household is at or below 50% of the State Median Income (SMI) at the time of the family's initial enrollment. Families will continue to meet the financial requirements provided that the total gross monthly income for the household remains at or below 85% of the SMI. **Under EEC policy, financial assistance recipients are required to report increases in total household income exceeding 85% of SMI within thirty (30) days.**

To calculate your gross monthly income, please utilize the calculations below. NOTE: "Pay Stub" may also include child support payments:

(A) Gross Monthly Income if paid WEEKLY:

Step 1: Add pay stubs (you must submit 4 pay stubs out of most recent 6 week period)

Example:	Pay Stub #1	Pay Stub#2	Pay Stub#3	Pay Stub#4	Total of Paystubs
	\$750.00	+ \$800.00	+ \$750.00	+ \$800.00	= \$3,100.00

Step 2: Divide total by 4 in order to get the average weekly income

Example: \$3,100.00 ÷ 4 = \$775.00

Step 3: Multiply by 4.33 in order to get the gross monthly income

Example: \$775.00 x 4.33 = \$3,355.75

If all weekly paystubs are exactly the same, you take ONE gross weekly pay stub and multiply by 4.33 (EEC multiplies by 4.33 because there are additional pay periods through the course of a calendar year)

(B) Gross Monthly Income if paid BI-WEEKLY:

Step 1: Add pay stubs (you submit 2 pay stubs out of most recent 6 week period)

Example:	Pay Stub #1	Pay Stub #2	Total
	\$1,500.00	+ \$1,550.00	= \$3,050.00

Step 2: Divide total by 2 in order to get the average bi-weekly income

Example: \$3,050.00 ÷ 2 = \$1,525.00

Step 3: Multiply by 2.17 in order to get the gross monthly income

Example: \$1,525.00 x 2.17 = \$3,309.25

If all bi-weekly paystubs are exactly the same, you take ONE gross bi-weekly paystub and multiply by 2.17 (EEC multiplies by 2.17 because there are additional pay periods through the course of a calendar year)

(C) Gross Monthly Income if paid BI-MONTHLY (paid twice a month – on the same dates each month):

Step 1: Add pay stubs (you submit 2 pay stubs out of most recent 6 week period)

Example:	Pay Stub #1	Pay Stub #2	Total Gross Monthly Income
	\$1,250.00	+ \$1,550.00	= \$2,800.00

Your current gross monthly income is \$_____ For a family of _____ your income may not exceed \$_____

\$ _____	÷	_____	=	\$ _____	x	_____	=	\$ _____
TOTAL OF PAY STUBS		4		AVERAGE WEEKLY		4.33		GROSS MONTHLY INCOME

\$ _____	÷	_____	=	\$ _____	x	_____	=	\$ _____
TOTAL OF PAY STUBS		2		AVERAGE BI-WEEKLY		2.17		GROSS MONTHLY INCOME

\$ _____	=	\$ _____
TOTAL OF PAY STUBS		GROSS MONTHLY INCOME

PAYMENT AGREEMENT

Date of Agreement: _____

Total Amount Due: \$ _____

Terms of the Agreement:

I, _____ will pay my child's tuition of \$ _____

(Circle one) WEEKLY BIWEEKLY MONTHLY

My child(ren) is/are in the following program: Preschool School Age HBCC

The tuition is to be paid in advance (the same as the payment schedule)

- If you will be paying weekly, the payment is due each Friday before the new week begins.
- If you will be paying bi-weekly, the payment will be due every other Friday before the new two-week session begins.
- If you will be paying monthly, the payment will be the Friday before the new Month begins.

These payments will be made by Automatic payments (checking, savings, or Visa/Master card) sign up with Program Director

If for any reason any payment is late, a two-week termination letter will be issued.

The payee agrees to the payment agreement terms listed above.

Signed: ✓ _____

Date: ✓ _____



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ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION FOR **BANK ACCOUNT** and **CREDIT CARD**

I (we) hereby authorize (business name) _____ to initiate credit card charges to the below-referenced credit card account (Section A) OR, initiate debit entries to my (our) checking or savings account, indicated below (Section B). To properly affect the cancellation of this agreement, I (we) are required to give 10 days written notice. _____ (initial) Credit union members: please contact your credit union to verify account and routing numbers for automatic payments. Check with the center for accepted credit card types.

COMPLETE ONE SECTION ONLY

SECTION A (Credit Card)

Cardholder Name	Phone #
Cardholder Address	City State Zip
Account Number	CVV Expiration Date
Cardholder Signature	Date

SECTION B (Bank Account)

Your Name	Phone #			
Address	City State Zip			
Bank or Credit Union Name	Bank or Credit Union Address	City	State	Zip
Routing Transit Number (see sample below)	Account Number (see sample below)	☐ Checking	☐ Savings	
Authorized Signature	Date			

For Official Use Only

Date Received

Employee Signature

John Sample Mary Sample 123 Nice Street Anytown, USA	BANK OF THE WEST 555-555-5555	00226
Pay to the order of:	Attach Voided Check Here	\$
	Deposit slips not accepted	Dollars
123456789	1800338	0226
Routing Number	Account Number	Check Number

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Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Application Packet
Child Care Institutions

Document Index

This document contains the following information:

1. Robert M. Leshin Memo re: Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Applications
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5. Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Application (Child Care)
6. Sharing Information with Medicaid/SCHIP
7. Mass Health Flyer



MEMORANDUM

To: School Nutrition Directors
From: Robert M. Leshin, Director, Office for Food and Nutrition Programs
Date: July 1, 2024
Subject: School Food Authorities Sponsoring CACFP After School Programs (At-Risk, Child Care and Outside School Hours Programs)

Attached are the updated prototype materials for households applying for free or reduced price meals in the Child and Adult Care Food Programs. The *Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010*, the child nutrition federal reauthorization law, made several changes to eligibility. Based on input from several sources, we have designed a Massachusetts Family Household application that streamlines the application and instructions. USDA application packages are available in multiple languages at <https://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/english-meal-benefit-income-eligibility-form>.

This package, located online in the Online Document and Reference Library, includes forms and letters for Sponsors and institutions to use.

Reminders:

- Children enrolled in Federally-funded Head Start centers are categorically eligible for free meal benefits.
- Children designated as homeless are categorically eligible for free meal benefits.
- Foster children are categorically eligible for free meal benefits. An application is not needed, but there does need to be documentation of status by a state or local entity familiar with the child's status.
- Foster children may be included in the household application as part of the household size.
- The last four digits of the social security number for the adult signing the application needs to be listed rather than the entire social security number if the Total Household Gross Income grid is completed.

Please note that the prototype application and letter to parents/participants include the reduced price income eligibility guidelines chart. The current Income Eligibility Guidelines for determining eligibility for free or reduced price meals has been issued and is a separate document in the Online Document and Reference Library.

A flyer to be reproduced and distributed to households with information on the Child Health Insurance Program is a separate attachment. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call Special Nutrition staff at 781-338-6480 or email nutrition@doe.mass.edu.



Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)
Office for Food and Nutrition Programs
Child Enrollment Documentation Requirement
Child and Adult Care Food Program – Child Care Centers

Child Care Centers that participate in the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) are required to annually collect enrollment information from parents and guardians.

Documentation of enrollment must include:

- Each enrolled child's normal days and hours in care and the meal services in which each child normally participates
- Signature of parent or guardian
- Annual updating of the information.

7 CFR 226.15(e)(2) & 226.17(b)(7)

To document enrollment information, child care centers may use the attached CACFP Enrollment Forms or adapt their own form. An adapted form must incorporate the same questions and their intent from the DESE Child Enrollment Form. Sponsors and centers electing to revise the enrollment form must submit a copy to DESE for review and approval prior to use and distribution.

The parent/guardian must complete the form in full with current information, sign, and date the form.

Centers may not claim reimbursement for any participant without a parent/guardian signed enrollment form (new or renewal) on file. Each child enrollment form is effective for a maximum of one year.

Sponsors and centers must perform edit checks for clerical accuracy confirming data entered on all child enrollment forms.

If you have any question about the requirement for collection of enrollment information, please contact DESE Special Nutrition Services at 781-338-6480.

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

1. **mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. **fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. **email:**
program.intake@usda.gov

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CHILD AND ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM

MEAL BENEFIT INCOME ELIGIBILITY FORM

Instructions for Child and Adult Care Food Program Centers and Sponsoring Organizations

This packet contains prototype forms:

Required information that *must* be provided to households:

- Letter to Households: Child Day Care
- Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form: Child Day Care (with Instructions)

Additional application-related material that *must* be provided to households:

- Sharing Information With Medicaid and SCHIP

The pages are designed to be printed on 8½" by 11" paper. Some pages may be printed front and back. The **[bold bracketed fields]** indicate where you need to insert your specific contact information for assistance and where to submit the completed form(s).

This prototype package also includes information regarding the exclusion of housing allowance for those in the Military Housing Privatization Initiative and pricing programs. If these sections are not pertinent, you may remove them.

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Office for Food and Nutrition Programs
135 Santilli Highway
Everett, MA 02149





CACFP MEAL BENEFIT INCOME ELIGIBILITY FORM (Child Care)

Dear Parent/Guardian:

This letter is intended for parents or guardians of children enrolled in a child care center. **[Name of Center]** offers healthy meals to all enrolled children as part of our participation in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). The CACFP provides reimbursements for healthy meals and snacks served to children enrolled in child care. Please help us comply with the requirements of the CACFP by completing the attached Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form. In addition, by filling out this form, we will be able to determine if your child(ren) qualifies for free or reduced price meals.

1. Do I need to fill out a Meal Benefit Form for each of my children in day care? You may complete and submit one CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form for all children enrolled in child care in your household **only** if the children in child care are enrolled in the same center. We cannot approve a form that is not complete, so be sure to read the instructions carefully and fill out all required information. **Return the completed form to: [(Name of Center, address, phone number)].**

2. Who can get free meals without providing income information? Children in households getting Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly Food Stamps) or Temporary Assistance for Families of Dependent Children (TAFDC), benefits can get free meals. Foster children and children enrolled in Head Start are also eligible for free meals. Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free meals.

3. Who can get reduced price meals? Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Income Chart, shown on this application. Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for reduced price meals.

4. May I fill out a form if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You or your children do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for meal benefits offered at the child care center.

5. Who should I include as members of my household? You must include everyone in your household (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends who live with you) who shares income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children who live with you. You also may include foster children who live with you.

6. How do I report income information and changes in employment status? The income you report must be the total gross income listed by source for each household member received last month. If last month's income does not accurately reflect your circumstances, you may provide a projection of your monthly income. If no significant change has occurred, you may use last month's income as a basis to make this projection. If your household's income is equal to or less than the amounts indicated for your household's size on the attached Income Chart, the center will receive a higher level of reimbursement. Once properly approved for free or reduced price benefits, whether through income or by providing a current SNAP, TANF, FDPIR case number, you will remain eligible for those benefits for 12 months. You should notify us, however, if you or someone in your household becomes unemployed and the loss of income causes your household income to be within the eligibility standards.

7. What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally get. For example, if you normally get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you only get it sometimes.

8. What if I have foster children? Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Households may include foster children on the Meal Benefit Form, but are not required to include payments received for the foster child as income. Households wishing to apply for such benefits for foster children should contact **[name, address, phone number]**.

9. We are in the military, do we include our housing and supplemental allowances as income? If your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative and you receive the Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance, do not include these allowances as income. Also, in regard to deployed service members, only that portion of a deployed service member's income made available by them or on their behalf to the household will be counted as income to the household. Combat Pay, including Deployment Extension Incentive Pay (DEIP) is also excluded and will not be counted as income to the household. All other allowances must be included in your gross income.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no person will be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.

If you have other questions or need help, call **[phone number]**.

Sincerely,

[signature]



CACFP MEAL BENEFIT INCOME ELIGIBILITY FORM (Child Care)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE CACFP MEAL BENEFIT INCOME ELIGIBILITY FORM (Child Care)

If any member of the household gets SNAP or TAFDC, follow these instructions:

Part 1: List all enrolled children and household members. For any person, including children, with no income, you must check the “No Income Box”.

Part 2: List the case number for any household member receiving SNAP or TAFDC benefits.

Part 3: If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call your Child Care Sponsor for further instructions. If not, skip this part.

Part 4: Skip this part

Part 5: Sign the form. The last four digits of a Social Security Number are **not** necessary.

Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.

If you are applying on behalf of a FOSTER CHILD, follow these instructions:

If **all** children you are applying for are foster children, or if you are only applying for benefits for the foster child:

Part 1: List all foster children. Check the box indicating that the child is a foster child.

Part 2: Skip this part.

Part 3: Skip this part.

Part 4: Skip this part.

Part 5: Sign the form. A Social Security Number is **not** necessary.

Part 6: Answer this question if you choose to.

If some of the children in the household are foster children.

Part 1: List all enrolled children and household members. For any people, including children, with no income, you must check the “No Income Box.” Check the box if the child is a foster child.

Part 2: If the household does not have a case number, skip this part.

Part 3: If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call your Child Care Sponsor for further instructions. If not, skip this part.

Part 4: Follow these instructions to report total household income for this month or last month.

Column A – Name: List only the first and last name of **each** person living in your household who share income and expenses, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends who live with you) with income. Include yourself and all children living with you. Attach another sheet of paper if you need to.

Column B – Gross Income and How Often it was Received: For each household member, list each type of income received for the month. You must tell us how often the money is received – weekly, every other week, twice a month, or monthly.

Box 1: List the **gross income**, not the take-home pay. Gross income is the amount earned before taxes and other deductions. You should be able to find it on your pay stub or your boss can tell you.

Box 2: List the amount each person got for the month from welfare, child support, alimony.

Box 3: List retirement, Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veteran’s (VA) benefits, disability benefits.

Box 4: List ALL OTHER INCOME SOURCES including Worker’s Compensation, unemployment, strike benefits, regular contributions from people who do not live in your household, and any other income. Report income after expenses in Box 1 only if self employed. Box 4 is for your business, farm or rental property. Do not include income from SNAP, FDPIR, WIC or Federal education benefits. If you are in the Military Housing Privatization Initiative or get combat pay, do not include this housing allowance as income.

Part 5: Adult household member must sign the form and list the last four digits of the Social Security Number or mark the box if s/he doesn’t have one.

Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.



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ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS, including WIC households, follow these instructions:

Part 1: List all enrolled children and household members. For any people, including children, with no income, you must check the "No Income Box."

Part 2: Skip this part.

Part 3: If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway check the appropriate box and call your Child Care Sponsor for further instructions. If not, skip this part.

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Part 6: Answer this question if you choose.

Privacy Act Statement: This explains how we will use the information you give us.

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

Child Enrollment Form

Child & Adult Care Food Program

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child care center WCEC participates in the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) administered by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Meals served must meet nutrition requirements established by USDA's Child & Adult Care Food Program. In order to participate, the child care center has agreed to follow the USDA guidelines. A medical statement from your doctor is necessary if your child cannot eat foods required by the CACFP.

In an effort to assess that these requirements are being met, the USDA and CACFP requires child care centers to annually collect the enrollment information listed below.

Please complete the form and return it to your child care center. Part 1 and Part 3 need to be completed by all families or guardians. Part 2 is to be completed ONLY if enrolling an infant child (under the age of 12 months).

PART 1: CHILD ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Child's First Name	Last Name	Child's Date of Birth & Age	Beginning Date of Child Care
Times Child Normally Attends For example 7:30 AM – 5 PM		Check the days your child normally attends	Check the meals you request that your child receives while in care
Hours from: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.		☐ Sunday ☒ Monday ☒ Tuesday ☒ Wednesday ☒ Thursday ☒ Friday ☐ Saturday	☒ Breakfast ☐ AM Snack ☒ Lunch ☒ PM Snack ☐ Supper ☐ Evening Snack
☒ Box ☐ Schedule Varies			

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If there are other children in care, please complete additional forms as needed.

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Effective Date of this Enrollment Form: Fiscal Year
The effective date can be made retroactive back to the first day the child participates in the CACFP as long as it occurs in the same month this form is received.

PART 2: INFANT MEAL NOTIFICATION (Birth through 11 months)

Nutritious meals meeting the United States Department of Agriculture guidelines are served to all children enrolled in this program, including children under the age of 12 months. The child care center must meet the meal component requirements based on age and developmental readiness outlined in the Infant Meal Pattern. **Parents/Guardians may supply not more than one required component per meal in the meal pattern (including breast milk or formula) in order for the meal to be reimbursable in CACFP.**

I understand that this child care center has available the iron fortified formula _____ for my infant while in care.
(Name of Iron Fortified Infant Formula)

To help provide the best nutritional care for your infant, please complete the following information.

PLEASE CHECK ONE OPTION (Breast Milk / Formula):

- ☐ I will supply expressed (pumped) breast milk for my infant child and/or breast feed at center. **OR** I will supply formula for my infant child.
- ☐ I prefer to have the center supply the formula offered.

PLEASE CHECK ONE OPTION (Food Items):

- ☐ I will supply all food items for my infant's meals. I decline food items provided by the provider/center.
- ☐ I have elected to have the provider/center supply the formula and I wish to provide one food item. I will provide the following one creditable food item: _____
- ☐ I would like provider/center to provide all food items for my infant's meals.

PART 3: PARENT OR GUARDIAN ACCEPTANCE AND SIGNATURE

I have read this child enrollment form and request that my child receive the above Child and Adult Care Food Program benefits. I have received a copy of this completed form.

Parent's Signature

Date Signed (form must be completed annually)

Parent's Name:

Please Print

Home Phone:

Mailing Address:

Work Phone:

City, State, Zip:

Cell Phone:

CIVIL RIGHTS: This information is voluntary and will not affect your children's eligibility. Please indicate the ethnic and racial identity of your children by checking a box in each of the categories. This information is being collected to assure that everyone receives CACFP benefits on a fair basis.

1. **Ethnic Identity** ☐ HISPANIC OR LATINO ☐ NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO.
2. **Racial Identity** ☐ AMERICAN INDIAN OR ALASKA NATIVE ☐ ASIAN ☐ BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN
☐ NATIVE HAWAIIAN or OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER ☐ WHITE.

For questions please contact: Sponsor or Child Care Center, Contact Name, Address, and Telephone Number

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Part 1. All Household Members

Name of Enrolled Child(ren):

Names of all household members (First, Middle Initial, Last)	CHECK IF A FOSTER CHILD (THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OF A WELFARE AGENCY OR COURT) * IF ALL CHILDREN LISTED BELOW ARE FOSTER CHILDREN, SKIP TO PART 5 TO SIGN THIS FORM.		CHECK IF NO INCOME	

Part 2. Benefits: If any member of your household received SNAP or TAFDC cash assistance, provide the name and case number for the person who receives benefits. **If no one receives these benefits, skip to part 3.**

NAME: _____ CASE NUMBER: _____

Part 3. If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant, or a runaway, check the appropriate box and call the Child Care Sponsor at Phone #: _____ Homeless ☐ Migrant ☐ Runaway ☐

Part 4. Total Household Gross Income—You must tell us how much and how often

A. Name (List only household members with income) (Example) Jane Smith	B. Gross income and how often it was received			
	1. Earnings from work before deductions	2. Welfare, child support, alimony	3. Pensions, retirement, Social Security, SSI, VA benefits	4. All Other Income
	\$200/weekly	\$150/twice a month	\$100/monthly	\$ /
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Part 5. Signature and Last Four Digits of Social Security Number (Adult must sign)

An adult household member must sign this form. **If Part 4 is completed, the adult signing the form must also list the last four digits of his or her Social Security Number or mark the “I do not have a Social Security Number” box.** (See Privacy Act Statement on the back of this page.)

I certify that all information on this form is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the center or day care home will get Federal funds based on the information I give. I understand that CACFP officials may verify the information. I understand that if I purposely give false information, the participant receiving meals may lose the meal benefits, and I may be prosecuted.

Sign here: _____ Print name: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Last four digits of Social Security Number: * * * - * * - _____ ☐ I do not have a Social Security Number

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Part 6. Participant's ethnic and racial identities (optional)

Mark one ethnic identity:

- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Mark one or more racial identities:

- ☐ Asian ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
☐ White ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
☐ Black or African American

Don't fill out this part. This is for official use only.

Annual Income Conversion: Weekly x 52, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice A Month x 24, Monthly x 12

Total Income: _____ Per: ☐ Week, ☐ Every 2 Weeks, ☐ Twice A Month, ☐ Month, ☐ Year Household size: _____

Categorical Eligibility: _____ Eligibility: Free _____ Reduced _____ Denied _____

Reason: _____

Determining Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Confirming Official's Signature: _____ Date: _____

The participant in the day care facility may qualify for free or reduced price meals if your household income falls within the limits on this chart.

Effective July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025	
Household size	Yearly
1	27,861
2	37,814
3	47,767
4	57,720
5	67,673
6	77,626
7	87,579
8	97,532
Each additional person:	+9,953

Privacy Act Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve the participant for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult household member who signs the application. The Social Security Number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number for the participant or other (FDPIR) identifier or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a Social Security Number. We will use your information to determine if the participant is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the Program.

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex (including gender identity and sexual orientation), disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

- mail:**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
- fax:**
(833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
- email:**
program.intake@usda.gov

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SHARING INFORMATION WITH MEDICAID/CHIP

Dear Parent/Guardian:

If your children qualify for free or reduced price meals, they may also be able to get low to no cost health insurance through Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Children with health insurance are more likely to get regular health care and are less likely to become sick.

Because health insurance is so important to children's well-being, **the law allows us to tell Medicaid and CHIP that your children are eligible for free or reduced price meals, unless you tell us not to.** Medicaid and CHIP only use the information to identify children who may be eligible for their programs. Program officials may contact you to offer to enroll your children in this health insurance program. Filling out the CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Forms does not automatically enroll your children in health insurance.

If you do not want us to share your information with Medicaid or CHIP, fill out the form below and send it with your Income Eligibility Form to **[address]** by **[date]**. (Sending in this form will not change whether your children get free or reduced price meals.).



No! I DO NOT want information from my CACFP Meal Benefit Income Eligibility Form shared with Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program.

If you checked no, fill out the form below.

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Today's Date: _____

Print Your Name: _____

Address: _____

For more information, you may call **[name]** at **[phone]**

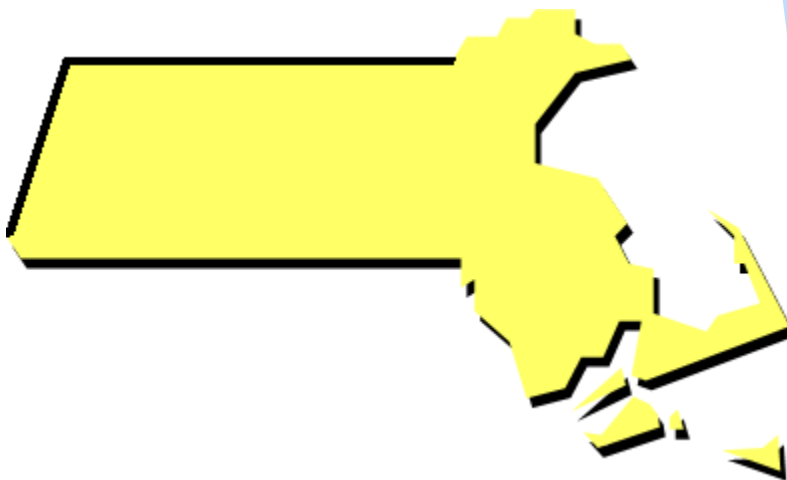


If your child is eligible for free or reduced school meals, your child may also be eligible for
free or low cost health insurance

through MassHealth.

To learn more call: 1-800-841-2900

MassHealth



Si su niño es eligible para almuerzo gratis o reducido, su niño pueda ser eligible para
seguro de salud gratis o de bajo costo

por medio de MassHealth.

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