

# CHILD CARE CONNECTIONS



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## Access your Child Care Assistance Program notices on the provider self-service portal

Did you know you can choose to go paperless for Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) notices? All notices are available in your [provider self-service portal \(SSP\)](#), under "View Statements and Documents." By accessing all notices through your provider SSP, you can save time and reduce the environmental impact.

To no longer receive communication by mail, log in to your SSP, view options under "My Account" and select "Communication Settings." You must verify an email address, once this is verified you can select to receive email notifications.

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## Child Care Workforce Benefit updates: New opportunities for staff and families



We're excited to announce an important update to the Child Care Workforce Benefit! Employees working in licensed settings can now care for their own children while working. This change opens new opportunities for both staff and families.

If you were previously denied this benefit or didn't apply before, we encourage you to apply now or reapply to take advantage of this positive change. This change does not apply to owners caring for their own children.

Providers must report if employment ends for any employee who was approved for the Child Care Workforce Benefit within five days. An email can be sent to [applyforhelp@nd.gov](mailto:applyforhelp@nd.gov) with the employee's end date or an updated SFN 354 can be sent with an end date filled in on the form.

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## CCAP Policy Update & Provider Insights

Join us for the CCAP Policy Update & Provider Insights to have the opportunity to engage directly with CCAP administrators. We will begin with a brief presentation outlining recent CCAP policy changes and key program updates that may impact your operations. After the presentation, we will open the floor for an interactive discussion, allowing providers to share feedback, offer recommendations, and provide insights on where they would like to see the future of CCAP.

Your input is essential to shaping policies that better serve providers, families, and communities. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and collaborating on a stronger, more responsive CCAP.



**Two different sessions will be held to accommodate the different types of providers:**

**Nov. 12, 2024, 12-1 p.m.**

Providers licensed as **family or group home**

**Nov. 14, 2024, 12-1 p.m.**

Providers licensed as **centers and group facilities**

Information on how to join the insights is posted on the [CCAP Providers webpage](#). You can also contact [ccap@nd.gov](mailto:ccap@nd.gov) for more information.

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# SAVE THE DATE

April 11-12, Bismarck Event Center

## North Dakota Early Childhood Conference



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## North Dakota Early Childhood Conference coming in 2025

Join us at the Bismarck Event Center for the North Dakota Early Childhood Conference for an opportunity to connect with early childhood professionals in North Dakota. Come learn and share as we celebrate early childhood and the professionals who serve our youngest learners across the state.

[More information](#)

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## Stay connected with Bright & Early ND on the Health and Human Services Facebook page

Starting next year there will be a new way to stay up to date with Bright & Early ND. Beginning Jan. 1, 2025, the Bright & Early ND Facebook page will be deactivated.

All future Bright & Early ND Facebook content will be posted on the Health and Human Services Facebook page.

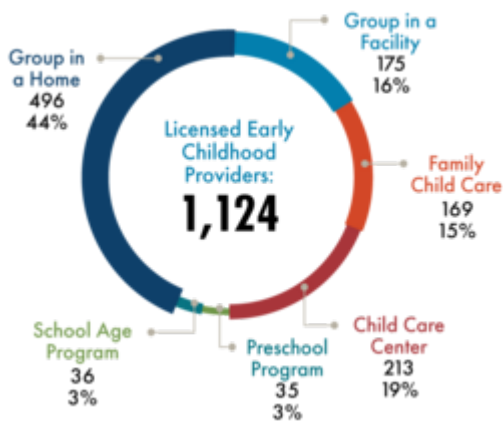
We appreciate all your support and engagement over the years and look forward to seeing our Bright & Early ND network join us by following @ND Health and Human Services.

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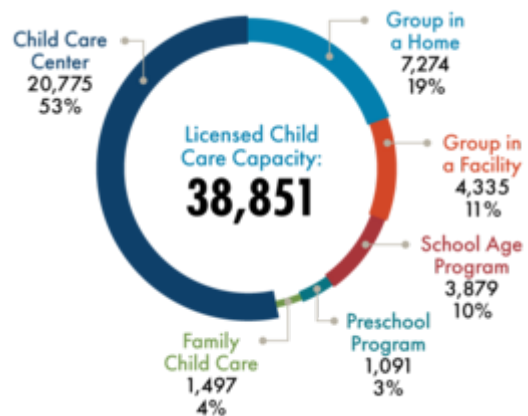
## Quarterly Provider Snapshot

(As of Oct. 18, 2024)

Number of Licenses by Provider Type



Number of Licensed Slots by Provider Type



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