

# Provider Updates

- Outreach and Enrollment - We are currently fully enrolled and are not outreaching new families for CCDF child care. There are new programs coming soon to help support our families - please be on the lookout for more details soon.
- Reporting Absences - All providers are asked to report each time that a child has 5 consecutive absences. Please connect with parents and encourage regular attendance.
- Child Care Relief Funding- The grant process began on June 11th with providers receiving an email and the deadline is the end of July. If you need help completing the application process, please email [Texas@ECEBizCoach.org](mailto:Texas@ECEBizCoach.org)
- DOSS Addendum - Thank you to all of our providers that have signed the DOSS Addendum in the past few weeks. If you have not had a chance, please sign and return today. We truly appreciate you!



## Child Care Relief Fund Information

### Attention Center & Home-Based Child Care Providers

Don't miss out on Child Care Relief Funds

FROM JUNE 11, 2021 TO JULY 11, 2021

Child care businesses are critical for Texas' economy. However, almost all child care businesses were hit hard during the COVID-19 pandemic, with many going out of business or now operating under stress.

To help our child care businesses recover from the Pandemic, the Texas Workforce Commission is launching a Child Care Relief Fund and will accept applications from June 11, 2021 to July 11, 2021.

**To receive the Child Care Relief Fund your child care business must be:**

- 1 A licensed or registered child care center or home;
- 2 Open and operating in Texas as of May 1, 2021; and
- 3 Not currently on a **corrective or adverse action** with Texas Health and Human Services Commission Child Care Regulation.

Also, the Texas Workforce Commission will provide FREE business coaching all year, including assistance with your application for the Child Care Relief Funds.

If you have any questions or need help, don't hesitate to reach out to the coaching team at [Texas@ECEBizCoach.org](mailto:Texas@ECEBizCoach.org) (if possible, please include your license or operation number).



# Childcare for Essential Workers

- Workforce Solutions recently received funding to provide childcare for children of Essential Workers in the following categories:
  - Childcare Industry (teachers, caregivers, etc.)
  - Education (teachers, support staff, bus drivers, etc.)
  - Pharmacy and Healthcare Workers
  - First Responders
  - Critical Infrastructure (Grocery, Utilities, Trucking, etc.)
  - Other Infrastructure Workers (State and Local Government, Mail/Deliver Services, Banking, Gas Stations, Military, Restaurant and other Food Delivery, etc.)
- Families must live in the City of Austin, meet the income guidelines, and have at least one parent working in a category above.
- Please share the interest form with any families or staff that may be interested.

Maximum Gross (Pre-Tax) Income to Participate	
Household Size	Yearly Income
2	\$63,300
3	\$71,200
4	\$79,100
5	\$85,450
6	\$91,800
7	\$98,100
8	\$104,450

# Quality Initiatives

- Training Opportunities Posted
  - 2020-21 Training Calendar posted on our Website ([www.wfscapitalarea.com](http://www.wfscapitalarea.com))
- Texas Rising Star Providers
  - Please join us at our monthly TRS Director Meetings on the first Thursday of the month from 12-2pm or 6-8pm.
  - Our next TRS Director Meetings will be held on August 5th
  - Category Trainings are being offered quarterly.
- Back to School Symposium
  - Will be held August 16th - 21st
  - Keynote sessions and breakout sessions
  - Will be partnering with APH to host a PPE Distribution on Thursday and Friday.
  - Please share and sign up for the sessions on Eventbrite.

