

What is the Child Care Assistance Program?

- The Child Care Assistance program provides low-cost care for children during a portion of a 24-hour day. The program includes both day time care and night time care for parents who work third shift, odd hour, or weekends.
- Parents or guardians must usually pay a weekly fee for the childcare in addition to the assistance.

Am I eligible?

- You may be eligible if you make your home in Alabama AND
- You must be working or taking part in education or training AND
- You make no more income than is allowed.
Click [here](#) to see the current allowable income and the weekly fees.
- You need to have at least one child under 13, or one special needs child under 18.

How do I apply?

- If you live in Montgomery, Autauga, Bullock, Elmore, or Lowndes counties, you apply through:

Family Guidance Center
2358 Fairlane Drive
Montgomery, AL 36116
(334) 270-4100
- You can mail in an application form.
- You can also go to the office and fill out the form.
- You can get an application form online here:
[Alabama Child Care Assistance Application](#)

What information do I need to apply?

- You must list everyone in your household on your application.

- You will need to have everyone's income information from all sources, including Social Security, Unemployment, Family Assistance, Child Support, etc...

How much help will I get?

- The state will pay most of the cost.
- You will likely have to pay between \$8 and \$45.50 per week.
- There is a waiting list for child care assistance.

What kinds of child care can I use?

- You can choose anyone from a list of licensed or certified child care centers.
- You can choose any licensed or certified family child care home.
- You can also get help to pay relatives who care for your children in their homes.

Your Rights

If you are not satisfied with the action of the Child Care Management Agency because your application was denied, your application was not acted on within 30 days, or your child care services were reduced or terminated, you may:

- Ask for a conference with the Child Care Management Agency, OR
- Ask for a formal hearing.
- Click [here](#) for a Notice of Client's Rights with more information about the hearing process.

Information Sources: http://dhr.alabama.gov/services/Child_Care_Services/Subsidy_Overview.aspx
<http://www.alabamalegalhelp.org/resource/help-to-pay-for-child-care?ref=dPOnN>