



# PARENTS & CARETAKERS

## Did you know?

### **ELIGIBLE FAMILIES CAN RECEIVE HELP WITH CHILD CARE COSTS**

The New York State Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) helps eligible families with some or all of the cost of child care. Under CCAP, parents/caretakers have the choice to use different types of care including choosing family, friends, or neighbors to care for their child(ren). This is known as legally exempt informal child care.

In order for family, friend or neighbor care to be paid, the person must enroll with OCFS.

### **CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL AGENCIES (CCRRs)**

provide services to parents and child care providers. If you are looking for child care, the CCRR in your county is a great place to start as they can assist you with child care needs.

Please visit this link for more information:

[ocfs.ny.gov/programs](https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs)



Contact your local department of social services for further information and to apply!

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Did you know?

# YOU COULD BE PAID TO PROVIDE ENROLLED LEGALLY EXEMPT CHILD CARE?

## LEGALLY EXEMPT CHILD CARE

Is an Option For Families. The Office of Children and Family Services, Division of Child Care Services allows parents/caretakers to hire individuals to care for their child(ren). This is known as legally exempt child care. A legally exempt provider is not required to be licensed or registered to provide child care. Families eligible for child care assistance can choose this type of care, but the legally exempt provider/program must enroll with an enrollment agency to be paid.

*A legally exempt child care provider can be someone that the parent/caretaker is familiar with like a friend, a neighbor, family, or someone else known to the family. Care can be provided in the child(ren)'s home, your home, or in another residence.*

## HOW TO APPLY TO BE A LEGALLY EXEMPT PROVIDER?

A family who is eligible for CCAP can say that they want to use a legally exempt provider. They will be given an enrollment packet which must be completed by the family as well as the provider. The enrollment forms are then returned to the enrollment agency (EA) which starts the enrollment process.

## WHAT DOES AN ENROLLMENT AGENCY DO?

A New York state contracted enrollment agency (EA) can help a prospective provider enroll to provide legally exempt child care. They can provide technical assistance, eligibility and share information about the regulatory requirements you must follow in order to be enrolled.

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