



CDE Management Bulletin 21-08: Updated Enrollment Requirements for Alternative Payment (AP) Contractors

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Current and New Enrollment

- Services for families who **are currently enrolled** in Emergency Child Care through California Alternative Payment Programs (CAPP) and California Migrant Alternative Payment Programs (CMAP) may be extended until June 30, 2022.
 - For families whose temporary Emergency Child Care services are being extended, contractors may either issue families a Notice of Action (NOA), or a letter notifying them of the extension of services. A letter template is [available](#).
- New families may be enrolled in Emergency Child Care through June 30, 2022 as long as they meet the eligibility criteria (in priority order):
 - Child is at risk of abuse or neglect.
 - Child is receiving services through the Foster Care Bridge Program.
 - Children experiencing homelessness.
 - Children of domestic violence survivors.
 - Children of [Essential Workers](#).
 - Priority 1: Health Care and Emergency Services.
 - Priority 2: Food and agriculture, teachers, education and child care providers and staff, and kitchen and other support staff; workers supporting critical infrastructure, state and local government workers, communications and information technology (IT), energy, transportation and logistics, critical manufacturing, hazardous materials, financial services, and chemical sectors.
 - Priority 3: All other essential workers.
 - Children with disabilities or special health care needs.
- New families of essential workers and at-risk populations that need temporary Emergency Child Care must submit a [self-certification form](#).
- All families enrolled in temporary Emergency Child Care must be assessed a monthly [family fee](#).

Transitioning Temporary Emergency Child Care to Ongoing Child Care Services

- To the extent possible, AP contractors should transition children who are enrolled in temporary Emergency Child Care into ongoing (non-Emergency) subsidized AP programs if they have sufficient funds to do so. Contractors should enroll families in ongoing care using the standard [certification process](#).

- AP contractors must prioritize families that were enrolled in temporary Emergency Child Care before July 1, 2020, for ongoing subsidized child care, prior to any other new enrollments.
 - Contractors must prioritize children at risk for abuse and neglect for enrollment in ongoing subsidized care.
 - Second priority goes to those demonstrating lowest income in relation to family size.

For more information, view [Management Bulletin 21-08](#).