



Child Care and Development Bulletin 21-12: One-time \$600 Stipend for Child Care Providers Caring for Children Receiving a State Child Care Subsidy

To assist with meeting costs incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic child care and development contractors and providers serving children receiving state subsidized child care will receive a flat-rate, one-time stipend in the amount of \$600 per child enrolled in subsidized child care.

The subsidized child care programs included in these stipends are:

- CalWORKs Stage One, Stage Two (C2AP), and Stage Three (C3AP)
- California Alternative Payment Program (CAPP)
- California Migrant Alternative Payment Program (CMAP)
- California Migrant Child Care and Development Programs (CMIG)
- General Child Care and Development Programs (CCTR)
- Family Child Care Home Education Networks (CFCC)
- Child Care and Development Services for Children with Special Needs (CHAN)
- Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (Bridge Program)

Total amounts of stipends will be based on March 2021 enrollment data for all providers and contractors listed above except for seasonal migrant child care and development programs. For CMAP and CMIG programs that did not operate in March 2021, stipends will be based on the most recent prior month of operation.

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is contracting with the Foundation for Community Colleges (FoundationCCC) to distribute the stipends to providers and contractors. In counties where Stage One and/or the Bridge Program is administered by the county, the FoundationCCC will issue stipend checks directly to child care providers. This funding will not be reported on Child Development and Nutrition Fiscal Services (CDNFS) report forms. However, as with all Federal and State funds allocated for child care and development programs, the use of these funds is subject to audit, and must be appropriately tracked by providers and contractors.

On July 28, 2021, CDSS held a webinar detailing the stipend implementation process. A recording of the webinar can be accessed at: [AB 131 Child Care Provider Stipend Webinar](#).

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If you have any questions or need additional guidance regarding the stipends, please access the [Child Care Stipend](#) webpage and the [Contractor Landing Page](#).

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