

The Defense Department is committed to ensuring service members and their families have access to the child care they need to be mission ready. The DOD continues to enhance this pilot program in order to provide fee assistance to eligible families for full-time, in-home child care services.

Fee Assistance Pilot Program

The Child Care in Your Home fee assistance pilot program covers full-time care in the service member's home for a minimum of 30 hours to a maximum of 60 hours weekly. Care is not limited to weekdays or time of day.

A total of 11 regions with the highest demand and longest waitlists for child care are offered, including: National Capital Region; Hawaii; San Diego; Norfolk, Virginia; San Antonio; Colorado Springs, Colorado; Seattle/Tacoma, Washington; Jacksonville/Mayport, Florida; Fort Walton Beach, Florida; Fayetteville, North Carolina; and Las Vegas.

Eligible military families include active-duty single military, dual military, active-duty military with a full-time working spouse or a spouse enrolled in a postsecondary institution on a full-time basis, and National Guard or reserve members on active duty with a full-time working spouse or a spouse enrolled in a postsecondary institution on a full-time basis who are seeking in-home child care and who live in the designated locations/regions that the program serves.

Families will be responsible for finding their own in-home care providers. Families may use the expanded child care service available through Military OneSource to search for in-home providers.

Recent program enhancements include:

- Families are permitted to share a nanny/in-home provider through a Nanny Share Agreement.
- Child Care in Your Home providers will have the opportunity to care for their own children in the service member's home when there is a written agreement.
- In-home providers are allowed to reside with the family when hired to provide child care services.

Reach out to Military OneSource tax consultants with questions about tax implications for parents who employ in-home providers.

Space in the pilot program is limited by location/region. Fee assistance is based on total family income.

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