



Child Care Stabilization Grant

Office of Children and Family Services

The Child Care Stabilization Grants are here! Use this grant money to make improvements to your program or help it recover from the COVID-19 public health emergency.

These grants are an historic investment in the child care field. Take advantage of this unique opportunity and apply!

Option: Mental Health Supports for Children and Employees

Use grant money from this option to pay for things like:

- Childhood mental health supports (Infant Toddler Mental Health Consultation – ITMHC, Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation – ECMHC)
- Mental health consultations and other types of mental health supports for staff (staff training and development – coaching, team building, resiliency and stress management, staffing patterns and schedules, program materials and supplies, like a mental health library or toys to spark conversations about emotions and stress)
- Family engagement (parent/teacher conferences, books and other materials children can take home, activities like family game nights)

Don't forget to document!

- You don't have to send in receipts or invoices, but you **DO** have to document how you spend your grant money.
- You must keep your receipts and documentation on file, in a folder or electronically, for at least five years.

Where do I go for the application, more information, and updates?

- Stabilization Help Center website (online application/videos describing all 8 options): ocfs.ny.gov/childcare-stabilization/
- Your local Child Care Resource and Referral Agency: ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/referral-agencies.php
- Women's Housing and Economic Development Corporation: whedco.org
- Your enrollment agency (EA)
- Your union representative