



# Iowa Department of Human Services

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Dear Child Care Provider:

The Department of Human Services (DHS) would like to take this opportunity to thank you for providing child care to the children of Iowa while their parents work and go to school.

This year the Iowa Legislature directed DHS to increase the rate tables for all registered and licensed child care providers. The effective date of the new rates is January 1, 2019. While the rate table reflects the maximum that can be paid to a provider by the Child Care Assistance (CCA) program, the state cannot be charged more for a child who receives state child care assistance than is charged to families not receiving assistance (“private pay”).

The tables below illustrate the current and new child care provider maximum payment rates for Basic and Special Needs care based on the type of child care provider and the age of the children cared for.

Current Tables:

<b>Current Half-Day Maximum Rates for Basic Care</b>				
Age Group	Child Care Center	Child Development Home A or B	Child Development Home C	Nonregistered Family Home
Infant and Toddler	\$16.78	\$12.98	\$12.44	\$8.19
Preschool	\$13.53	\$12.18	\$12.18	\$7.19
School Age	\$12.18	\$10.82	\$10.82	\$7.36

<b>Current Half-Day Maximum Rates for Special Needs Care</b>				
Age Group	Child Care Center	Child Development Home A or B	Child Development Home C	Nonregistered Family Home
Infant and Toddler	\$ 51.94	\$ 17.05	\$ 13.40	\$10.24
Preschool	\$ 30.43	\$ 15.83	\$ 13.40	\$8.99
School Age	\$ 30.34	\$ 14.61	\$ 12.18	\$9.20

New Tables:

<b>Table 1 Half-Day Rate Ceilings for (Licensed Center)</b>								
	No QRS		QRS 1 or 2		QRS 3 or 4		QRS 5	
Age Group	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs
Infant and Toddler	\$17.00	\$51.94	\$19.75	\$51.94	\$20.50	\$51.94	\$21.90	\$51.94
Preschool	\$14.75	\$30.43	\$15.50	\$30.43	\$16.40	\$30.43	\$18.69	\$30.43
School Age	\$12.18	\$30.34	\$12.50	\$30.34	\$13.50	\$30.34	\$15.00	\$30.34

<b>Table 2 Half-Day Rate Ceilings for (Child Development Home A or B)</b>								
	No QRS		QRS 1 or 2		QRS 3 or 4		QRS 5	
Age Group	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs
Infant and Toddler	\$12.98	\$19.47	\$13.50	\$20.25	\$13.75	\$20.63	\$14.00	\$21.00
Preschool	\$12.50	\$18.75	\$12.75	\$19.13	\$13.00	\$19.50	\$13.75	\$20.63
School Age	\$10.82	\$16.23	\$11.25	\$16.88	\$12.00	\$18.00	\$12.50	\$18.75

<b>Table 3 Half-Day Rate Ceilings for (Child Development Home C)</b>								
	No QRS		QRS 1 or 2		QRS 3 or 4		QRS 5	
Age Group	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs	Basic	Special Needs
Infant and Toddler	\$13.00	\$19.50	\$14.00	\$21.00	\$14.50	\$21.75	\$15.00	\$22.50
Preschool	\$12.50	\$18.75	\$13.00	\$19.50	\$13.50	\$20.25	\$15.00	\$22.50
School Age	\$11.25	\$16.88	\$12.00	\$18.00	\$12.50	\$18.75	\$14.00	\$21.00

<b>Table 4 Half-Day Rate Ceilings for child care homes (not registered)</b>		
Age Group	Basic	Special Needs
Infant and Toddler	\$8.19	\$12.29
Preschool	\$7.19	\$10.79
School Age	\$7.36	\$11.04

If your private pay rates are already above the current maximum rates, you will receive more money from the CCA program starting on January 1, 2019. If your private pay rates are at or below our current maximum rates, nothing will change.

**If you want your payment rates reviewed, please log in to the Kinder Track child care provider portal and submit a new CCA Provider Agreement. You may also call us at (866) 448 – 4605 to request that a Provider Agreement form be sent to you.**

- **Please mail completed forms to the Central Child Care Unit at:**

DHS CCA Payments and Registration  
Hoover State Office Building, 5th Floor  
1305 E. Walnut Street  
Des Moines, IA 50319-0114

- **Please complete the new CCA Provider Agreement as soon as possible.** The effective date of your payment rate adjustment, will be January 1, 2019, or the first of the month in which your CCA Provider Agreement is received by DHS, whichever is later.

**Reminder:** The state rate can only be increased if the rate is equal to or less than your private pay rate. Should you receive payment for which you are not entitled, you will be asked to re-pay that amount. If you are eligible for a rate increase, the new CCA Provider Agreement will be returned to you to implement the revised rate.

Once again, thank you for your efforts in providing child care to the children of Iowa. If you have any questions, please contact your local DHS or PROMISE JOBS worker.

Sincerely,

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