

Dear Child Care Provider,

We are excited to announce the reopening of the \$1,000 Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant application. The application will be available from Monday, April 11 through Friday, May 6. This grant is available to:

- Staff who were hired after you applied for the Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant that was available from November 2021 – January 31, 2022, or
- Staff who did not receive, but were eligible to receive, the November 2021 – January 2022 Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant.

Staff who have already received \$1,000 are **NOT** eligible for a second \$1,000 at this time. We will be launching a second phase of these grants in the fall/winter 2022.

Eligibility

If you are a child care center provider, your program may be eligible for these grants if you are:

- open and operating a licensed child care center;
- in compliance with federal Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) health and safety requirements (criminal background check and [health and safety trainings](#));
- in good standing with New Jersey's Licensing, Manual of Requirements; and
- open and operating at time of application.

Child care center staff are eligible for a \$1,000 bonus, if they:

- make \$50,000 or less a year;
- are responsible for directly working with children (care, supervision or instructing);
- are registered in the Workforce Registry through NJCCIS (New Jersey Child Care Information System); and
- did not receive the initial \$1,000 bonus.

Family child care providers may be eligible, if you are:

- a registered Family Child Care Provider;
- in compliance with federal Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) health and safety requirements (criminal background check and [health and safety trainings](#));
- in good standing with New Jersey's Registration, Manual of Requirements;
- make \$50,000 or less a year;
- open and operating at time of application;
- have children enrolled; and
- did not receive the initial \$1,000 bonus.

For more information on New Jersey's \$1,000 Hiring and Retention Bonus Grant, visit www.ChildCareNJ.gov.