



Background

As schools open with different in-person and remote learning policies and schedules across the state, the Agency of Human Services is working to ensure that child care is available for school-age children during remote learning days.

The Agency of Human Services is looking at multiple ways to build off the existing child care system:

- Removing restrictions for registered family child care homes for remote learning days
- Hub model for regionally-based care—funded with COVID Relief Funds
 - o Creating approximately 73 hubs using existing after-school providers across the state to meet the need for additional school-age child care during remote learning days
- Licensing flexibility for the preexisting child care network and new child care providers
- Other providers are offering programs for school days that end early

Resources for Employees

- Local Child Care Referral Specialists contact information: <https://dcf.vermont.gov/cdd/cccsa>
 - o This is a resource for further information on local child care options
- Child Care Financial Assistance Program information for families: <https://dcf.vermont.gov/benefits/ccfap>
 - o \$4 million in additional subsidies available

Resources for Employers Interested in Partnering on Child Care

If a health care provider would like to be a hub

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/VermontAfterschool/SurveyPotentialSpacesForSchoolageChildcareHubs>

If a health care provider would like to offer space

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/VermontAfterschool/SurveyNewInquiriesAboutSchoolageChildcareHubs>