

EMERGENCY CHILD CARE FOR MASSACHUSETTS “ESSENTIAL WORKERS”

Governor Baker extended the closure of all early childhood education programs and daycare centers until June 29, 2020.

The state has approved programs for emergency use that have been instructed to prioritize children of “COVID-19 essential workers.” **This includes Assisted Living Employees.**

Parents do NOT pay for using this program. The Commonwealth of MA is paying these child care providers for the emergency care.

IF YOU NEED EMERGENCY CHILD CARE TO COME TO WORK, HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

1. See if there is an emergency child care provider near you:
Visit the Mass.gov website [HERE](#) for the most current list.
Look for “Emergency Childcare Directory” on the right-hand side of the page, which has an easy-to-use search by town or name of the childcare provider.
2. Contact the provider directly to see if there are available openings, and confirm a slot during the day and time you need. You **MUST** call in advance.
3. Fill out this [Enrollment Form](#) to enroll your child in a program. Check the box for “critical worker”. If you need help filling out this form, please ask your DBA.
4. Questions? [Read this FAQ](#) on the MA.gov website, and your DBA can help.