

# Childcare Subsidy Program

## Help Paying for Childcare Costs

6/1/17—5/31/18 Income Guidelines	
Family Size	Maximum Annual Income
2	\$32,480
3	\$40,840
4	\$49,200
5	\$57,560
6	\$65,920
7	\$74,280
8	\$82,640
Each add'l person	+ \$8,360

**We may be able to help.** Childcare subsidy assistance is available to eligible families that meet the state's low-income guidelines and need help paying for childcare costs in order to work or engage in other work related activities; for a teen parent to attend high school; for families where a parent or adult caretaker is unable to provide care due to a physical or mental incapacity; or where family duties of a parent or caretaker relative take them away from home. Families are guaranteed childcare assistance if they are on public assistance and need childcare in order to meet work participation requirements. Childcare assistance is also guaranteed for one year after leaving public assistance if the public assistance case closed due to earnings or increased child support. Availability of subsidy for low income applicants is also contingent upon state/federal funding.

### **Eligibility:**

Eligibility is based on family size and family income. The maximum monthly income for household size must be at or below the levels in the chart at the left. You must be a resident of Oswego County.

### ***Who is eligible?***

Families with children age 12 or younger who:

- ⇒ Meet income guidelines (See chart at left);
- ⇒ Are temporary assistance clients who are working or enrolled in approved employment programs.

### **Benefits:**

A simplified application process.

Referral to the Oswego County Child Care Council who can assist you with finding safe and licensed childcare and/or approve your current childcare provider.

If your childcare is with a licensed provider or day care center, we will pay the provider directly.

If your childcare provider is not licensed, the Child Care Council can assist them with licensing.

### **How to Apply:**

In order to find out if you are eligible to receive Childcare assistance, you need to file an application through your local Department of Social Services (DSS).

Please call 963-5456 for more information and an application appointment.

### **Contact Information:**

**Oswego County DSS**  
100 Spring Street  
PO Box 1320  
Mexico, NY 13114  
(315) 963-5021  
1-800-894-5112

Hours: 8:30 am — 4:00 pm  
Monday — Friday

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