

Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC)

The Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) system will:

- give families access to more affordable and high-quality child care options
- help lower child care fees for parents of children under the age of six
- increase child care spaces
- support the child care workforce
- support inclusive child care
- decrease fees for parents by 50% at our daycare as of December 2022

Licensed child care providers can participate in the CWELCC system to help reduce fees.

Licensed child care providers must inform parents about their decision to:

- participate in the CWELCC system and the expected or actual date of application
- not participate in the CWELCC system

If your licensed child care provider does not participate, your fees will not be reduced.

As a parent or guardian of a child under the age of six, you do not need to apply to get a fee reduction.

What This Means for Parents and Families

Parents or guardians of children under the age of six do not have to apply to receive a child care fee reduction.

You may be eligible for reduced fees if:

- you pay more than \$12 per day for child care and your child:
- is under the age of six
- turns six years old and is enrolled in a licensed preschool, kindergarten or family age group or a licensed home child care premises, until June 30
- your licensed child care provider chooses to enroll in the CWELCC System



The amount that you will save depends on the current fees your child care provider charges and may vary by region.

It may require some time for your child care program to enroll in the new system. If your child care provider applies in 2022, the fee reduction will be retroactive to April 1, 2022. This means that you will be eligible to receive a credit or refund for the higher fees you have paid once your program is fully enrolled.