BECOME A LICENSED FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDER!

Your reimbursement rate will vary depending on the hours the family is approved to attend. Listed below are the options for approved hours:

- Hourly: 1-7.9 Hours per week
- Part-time: 7-24.9 Hours per week
- Full-time: 25-60 Hours per week
- Full-time plus: Over 60 hours

Non-Traditional hours: 7:00PM-5:59AM are paid an additional 5% per week

In-home aids are paid a set hourly rate of the state minimum wage for the first 40 hours of care. For hours in excess of 40, the hourly rate increases to time and a half.

Child Care providers wishing to provide publicly funded child care must become star rated with the Step Up to Quality System (SUTQ). This is a 5 star quality rating and improvement system that recognizes and promotes child care providers that exceed minimum health and safety licensing regulations. SUTQ’s star rated providers receive additional funding based on their star rating. Participation in SUTQ will be required by 07/2020 for all child care providers serving publicly funded children.

Rates for Family Child Care Providers:

Public Assistance and Administration
449 S. Meridian Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
(330)297-3750

Child Support
209 S. Chestnut Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
(330)297-3791

OhioMeansJobs Portage County
253 S. Chestnut Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
(330)296-2841

Child and Adult Protective Services
446 S. Chestnut Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
24/7 Abuse/Neglect Hotline (330)296-CARE
Adoption (330)297-3809

Hours of Operation:
Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Director:
KelliJo Jeffries, MSW, LSW

Portage County Board of Commissioners:
Kathleen Clyde
Vicki A. Kline
Sabrina Christian-Bennett

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Can You Be a Family Child Care Provider?

To qualify, you simply must meet the following criteria:

- Be at least 18 years old
- Have a high school diploma or GED
- Verify good health through a physician's statement
- Pass a FBI & BCI criminal background check
- Obtain and maintain certification in CPR and First Aid
- Obtain and maintain certification of Communicable Diseases and Child Abuse Recognition

Apply to become a provider!

All homes that accept children receiving publicly funded child care are licensed by the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services. Portage County Job & Family Services reviews applications to become a Family Child Care provider and makes a recommendation to the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services for licensure.

**Important Things to Know**

There are three options for Family Child Care Providers:

1. Type B caring for up to 6 children in your home with no more than 3 children under 2 years of age.
2. Type A caring for up to 12 children in your home with a second adult present and no more than 3 children under 2 years of age.
3. In-home aid where you provide care for a child/children from one parent/guardian in their home.

**To apply:**

- Complete a professional registry profile for the Family Child Care applicant through https://www.occrra.org/opr
- Register online through OPR and complete the required training
- Review the licensing rules set forth by Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services for Family Child care Providers. They can be found at: http://emanuals.jfs.ohio.gov/ChildCare/
- Complete and submit an application online through the Ohio Child Licensing & Quality System.

For questions, please contact the Portage County Child Care Certification Specialist: Diane Rogers
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