

## **Application & Supporting Documents Checklist**

Thank you for completing the Care 4 Kids (C4K) Application. In order to complete your application, please be sure to submit the following required documents:

#### □ Parent Provider Agreement Form (4 pages)

- Required with all applications and redeterminations.
- To be completed by you and the child care provider.
- If your child care provider is new to Care 4 Kids, the provider's W-9 is required.
- All new C4K providers must complete all orientation requirements for program staff prior to applying for C4K. See the C4K website for provider requirements – <u>Provider Requirements – CT</u> <u>Care 4 Kids</u>
- Providers will be eligible for payment the day after the training is completed.
- If you need help finding a provider, call 2-1-1 Child Care at 2-1-1 or 1-800-505-1000.

If <u>currently employed</u>, the following are required for you and the other legal parent in your home (if applicable):

**Existing Employment Income Verification (e.g. pay stubs, employer letter)** 

- If paid weekly, submit the last 4 pay stubs
- If paid bi-weekly or semi-monthly, submit the last 2 pay stubs
- If paid monthly or annually, submit the last 1 pay stub

If **<u>beginning new employment</u>**, the following are required for you and the other legal parent in your home (if applicable):

#### □ New Employment Verification (Letter from Employer)

- Letters must be completed by the employer and contain the following:
  - o Current date
  - Employment start date
  - Average weekly hours
  - Gross earnings
  - o Title and contact phone number of the individual preparing the letter

#### If **<u>self-employed</u>**, the following are required for you and the other legal parent in your home:

- □ Self-Employment Verification
  - Most recent signed and dated IRS tax forms (1040, Schedule 1 and Schedule C); or
  - Self-Employment Business Form (can be found at <a href="https://www.ctcare4kids.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Self-Employment-Form-English2023.pdf">https://www.ctcare4kids.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Self-Employment-Form-English2023.pdf</a>); and
  - Business records including business income and expenses.



If a parent is **disabled**, the following form is required:

Π Disability Form (can be found at https://www.ctcare4kids.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Disability-Verification-Form.pdf)

If child(ren) have **special needs**, the following form is required for any children with special needs:

Special Needs Verification Form (can be found at https://www.ctcare4kids.com/wpcontent/uploads/2019/11/Special-Needs-Verification-Form.pdf)

\*\*If participating in a higher education, general educational diploma (GED)/high school equivalency, or workforce development/training program, the following are required for you and the other legal parent in your home (if applicable):

□ Higher Education

- □ Workforce Development/Training program Written verification of enrollment from the educational institution/training program including
  - current class schedule. This written verification must include, at a minimum:
    - Parent's name and enrollment date.
    - Name of the institution, contact person, and contact information (phone number).
    - If not included on the class schedule, the written statement must also include either the number of credit hours or the number of in-class or online hours per week.

If any or all apply, the following are required for anyone who lives in your home:

- **Social Security Income** current award notice, copy of current check or statement from Social Security Administration.
- Child Support Paid cancelled check, money order, or wage stub showing deduction for child support paid to an adult not living in your home.
- **Foster Care Payment** current foster care stipend check stub or award letter from the Department of Children and Families.
- **Rental Income You Receive From Someone Else** business records or income tax records.

#### Missing and/or incomplete forms will not be accepted and WILL DELAY PROCESSING.



## **Care 4 Kids Application**

Care 4 Kids = 55 Capital Boulevard = Rocky Hill, CT 06067 Phone: 1-888-214-5437 Fax: 1-877-868-0871

### SECTION 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION/HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

The applicant is the parent or adult legally responsible for the child(ren). If the parent is under the age of **18** and living with an adult, the adult is considered the applicant and must fill out and sign this Application.

				/ /
FIRST NAME	M.I.	LAST NAME		DATE OF BIRTH
STREET ADDRESS				FLOOR/APARTMENT NUMBER
			()	<u>(</u> )
CITY	STATE	ZIP	CELL PHONE	WORK PHONE
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (OPTIONAL)	E-MAIL ADDR	ESS		
Gender: 🛛 F (Female) 🛛 M (Male)				
Marital Status: 🛛 Married 🛛 Single 🗔 S	Separated	Divorced		
Race: 🛛 A (Asian) 🛛 🛛 B (Black/African) 🗖	l <b>C</b> (White)	🛛 N (Americ	an Indian/Alaska Native)	
P (Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Is	lander) 🛛	l I prefer not t	to answer	
Hispanic/Latino: 🗆 YES 📮 NO 🛛 I prefer	not to answ	er		
Does your household have assets that exce	ed \$1 millio	n in value?	YES NO	
Is this Application for child care assistance for	or a foster ch	nild? 🛛 YES		
Are you living in a temporary housing situati	on? 🛛 YES	s 🛛 NO		
Have you moved 3 or more times in the past	t year? 🔲	YES 🛛 NO		
Are you an active member of the United Stat	tes Military?	YES	<b>NO</b> (If <b>YES</b> , check box below)	
🗖 Active Duty U.S. Military 🛛 📮 Natio	onal Guard N	/lilitary Reserv	ve	
Do you have an impairment that requires an	accommod	ation or extra	help completing this application?	🗆 YES 🗖 NO
What is the primary language spoken in you	r home?			

□ Marque aquí si desea recibir cartas y formularios en español. (Check here to receive letters and forms in Spanish)

#### SECTION 2: INFORMATION ON THE OTHER PARENT LIVING IN YOUR HOME

You MUST list your spouse, civil union partner or other legal parent of your children that live in your home.

First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name	Date of Birth	Gender	Relationship to Applicant	Social Security Number (optional)	Is this person a parent of a child living in the home?
1.	//	□ M □ F			Area of Child

Is the adult listed above an active member of the United States Military? Active Duty U.S. Military Active Duty U.S. Military National Guard Military Reserve

#### **SECTION 3: CHILDREN INFORMATION**

Please list all children under the age of 18 that live in the home. To be eligible for child care assistance, children must be under age 13. Children with special needs may be eligible under age 19.

# KEY: A (Asian) B (Black/African Descent) C (White) N (American Indian/Alaskan Native) P (Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander) NA (I prefer not to answer)

Child's Name (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name)	Child Care Needed?	Date of Birth	Relationship to Applicant	Gender	Race (circle all that apply)	ls child Hispanic /Latino?	Social Security Number (optional)	Citizenship Status	Is child up to date with shots? (immunizations)
1.	U YES	//		□ M □ F	A B C N P NA	YES NO NO NA		Citizen Permanent Resident Other	YES NO
2.	Q YES	//		□ M □ F	A B C N P NA	<ul><li>YES</li><li>NO</li><li>NA</li></ul>		□Citizen □Permanent Resident □Other	U YES
3.	U YES	//		□ M □ F	A B C N P NA	YES NO NO NA		Citizen Permanent Resident Other	U YES NO
4.	U YES	//		Ш М П F	A B C N P NA	YES NO NO NA		Citizen Permanent Resident Other	U YES
5.	Q YES	//		□ M □ F	A B C N P NA	□ YES □ NO □ NA		□Citizen □Permanent Resident □Other	U YES

**Do any of the children listed above have special needs? U** YES **U** NO If **YES**, provide the name(s) of the child(ren):

Do you share joint custody with any of the children listed above? YES NO If **YES**, provide the name(s) of the child(ren):

Do any of the children listed above have their *own* children living in your home? **YES** NO If **YES**, list the names of the minor parents (under age 18) and the name(s) of their child(ren):

Parent(s) Under Age 18:

Child(ren) of Parent Under Age 18:

#### SECTION 4: WORK/TRAINING ACTIVITY AND INCOME INFORMATION

Fill out the information below for all parents in the home. If there are more than 2 activities, make a copy of this page or download and print another copy of this page from the Care 4 Kids website at www.ctcare4kids.com.

#### Complete the following information about <u>your</u> work/training activity.

/ed 🛛 Training or	r Education approved b	y JFES
on 🛛 Workforce	Development/Training	, program
estate, contractor,	etc.)	
City	State	Zip_
Р	hone ( )	
	on D Workforce estate, contractor, City	ved       Training or Education approved by         on       Workforce Development/Training         estate, contractor, etc.)

#### SECTION 4, CONTINUED: WORK/TRAINING ACTIVITY AND INCOME INFORMATION

How frequently do you get paid? 🛛 Weekly 🗳 Bi-Weekly 🗳 Semi-Monthly 🗳 Monthly				
On average, how many <u>hours per week</u> do you work or participate in an activity?				
On average, how many <b>days per week</b> do you work or participate in an activity?				
How much do you get paid before taxes are deducted (gross income)? \$				
🗅 Hourly 🗅 Weekly 🗅 Bi-weekly 🗅 Semi-Monthly 🗅 Monthly 🗅 Annually				
If you are self-employed, how much do you get paid before taxes and expenses are deducted (gross income)? \$				
🗅 Hourly 🗅 Weekly 🗅 Bi-weekly 🗅 Semi-Monthly 🗅 Monthly 🗅 Annually				
If you are self-employed, how much are your expenses (dollar amount)? \$				
Weekly Bi-weekly Semi-Monthly Monthly Annually				
What is your daily roundtrip commute from child care setting to work/activity? 🛛 None 📮 1-30 minutes 📮 31-60 minutes				
More than 60 minutes				
Do you take public transportation? 🗖 YES 📮 NO				

Unable to provide care due to significant physical or mental condition, disability or impairment that is expected to last for at least one calendar month. (Verification will be required)

# If the other parent in the household is working or in a training activity, or if you have a second activity, complete the following information:

NAME OF OTHER PARENT IN THE HOME					
Type of Activity: U Work U High School U Self-En	nployed 🛛 Trainin	ig or Education	n approved	d by JFES	
Higher Education GED/Adult Education	ucation 🛛 Workfo	orce Developn	nent/Traini	ing program	
Name of Employer/Program/School					
Employer Industry/Type of Work (i.e. retail, construction,	real estate, contract	tor, etc.)			
Address	City		State	Zip	
Start Date		Phone <u>(</u>	)		
How frequently do you get paid?  Weekly Bi-Week	ly 🛛 Semi-Monthly	y 🛛 Monthly	,		
On average, how many hours per week do you work or p	articipate in an activi	ity?			
On average, how many days per week do you work or pa	rticipate in an activit	y?			
How much do you get paid before taxes are deducted (gr	oss income)? \$			_	
🖵 Hourly 🛛	🗅 Weekly 🛛 🗅 Bi-we	ekly 🛛 Semi	-Monthly	Monthly	Annually
If you are self-employed, how much do you get paid befo	re taxes and expense	es are deducte	d (gross in	come)? \$	
🖵 Hourly 🕻	🗅 Weekly 🗖 Bi-wee	ekly 🛛 Semi	-Monthly	Monthly	Annually
If you are self-employed, how much are your expenses (d	ollar amount)? \$				
🖵 Weekly	Bi-weekly Se	mi-Monthly	D Monthl	y 🛛 Annual	У
What is your daily roundtrip commute from child care set	ting to work/activity	? 🛛 None	🖵 1-30 m	inutes 🛛 🛛 31	-60 minutes
		🗖 More t	han 60 mir	nutes	
Do you take public transportation?  YES  NO					

Unable to provide care due to significant physical or mental condition, disability or impairment that is expected to last for at least one calendar month. (Verification will be required)

#### SECTION 5: CHILD SUPPORT PAID AND ADDITIONAL INCOME INFORMATION

	support?  YES  NO If Yes, submit verification of child support payment. How often?  Weekly  Bi-Weekly  Semi-Monthly  Monthly
, , ,	DCF stipend?       YES       NO       If Yes, who receives it?          How often?       Weekly       Bi-Weekly       Semi-Monthly       Monthly
	employment compensation?
	cial Security Income?
whom?	nother source?
How much? \$ I	How often? 🗖 Weekly 🗧 Bi-Weekly 📮 Semi-Monthly 📮 Monthly
income)?	y other income (i.e. alimony, pensions, workers' compensation, veteran benefits, rental ives it? What type of income? What type of income?
How much? \$ I	How often? 🛯 Weekly 🗳 Bi-Weekly 📮 Semi-Monthly 📮 Monthly

#### SECTION 6: PARENTS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Please read the following section carefully. If there is anything you do not understand, call Care 4 Kids at 1-888-214-5437.

- When you have read this section, please sign and date the next page.
- You have the right to file an Application, withdraw an Application, or discontinue your participation in Care 4 Kids at any time.
- You have the right to be treated fairly by Care 4 Kids without regard to race, color, religion, sex or sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, ancestry, age, political beliefs, or disability.
- You have the right to request forms and notices in Spanish. All non-English speaking participants have the right to the services of an interpreter.
- You have the right to ask for a review of any decision made by Care 4 Kids on your Application. You have the right to speak to a supervisor or mediator and the right to request a hearing from the State of Connecticut.

#### I understand and agree that:

- I must report changes in my situation to Care 4 Kids **within 10 days** of the change for the following: change in address, household income over 85% of the State Median Income, if the child receiving Care 4 Kids benefits is no longer in the home, change child care provider, and loss of employment or stopping an approved activity. For the current State Median Income Chart, please visit the Care 4 Kids website <a href="https://www.ctcare4kids.com">www.ctcare4kids.com</a>.
- Care 4 Kids may verify the information I have given on this form. I understand that if I am eligible for Care 4 Kids, benefits will not begin any earlier than 15 days before the date the Application is received.
- With my signature, I hereby give voluntary consent for the Department of Social Services (DSS) to share with the Office of Early Childhood (OEC) confidential information retained by DSS about myself and minor household members, to be used by the OEC to determine eligibility and the level of benefits for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). The OEC will obtain confidential information from DSS only under circumstances allowed by state and federal law. I understand that the OEC may share this confidential information with the CCAP administrator, Care 4 Kids. Confidential information obtained from DSS will be used solely for the purpose of CCAP eligibility and benefits and will not be disseminated outside the OEC or the CCAP administrator, or in violation of federal or state law. I understand that my DSS benefits will not be affected by this consent, and I may revoke this authorization at any time by sending a written request to the OEC, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 303, Hartford, CT 06103. This authorization automatically expires one year from the date of application.
- The Department of Labor will share unemployment compensation and wage information for applicants and household members for determination of eligibility for Care 4 Kids. The Connecticut Office of Early Childhood (OEC) may disclose to its contractor confidential information from the Department of Labor concerning unemployment compensation benefits and quarterly wage information pertaining to individuals who have signed the Application, only as necessary, to determine eligibility for the Care 4 Kids program.
- The information on this form is confidential. The OEC or its contractor will only use this information to administer a State of Connecticut program. Information may be shared with others as permitted by law.
- Care 4 Kids will disclose information about my eligibility for Care 4 Kids to my provider.
- Care 4 Kids may be required to provide information about program applicants and participants to law enforcement officials.
- The child care arrangement is between my provider and me. The OEC and Care 4 Kids are not responsible for the child care arrangement.

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#### SECTION 6, CONTINUED: PARENTS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- The State of Connecticut may conduct unscheduled visits to verify any household, employer, or provider circumstances.
- Care 4 Kids may not pay the full amount charged by my provider. I am responsible for paying all additional provider charges.
- I have the right to choose any eligible child care provider that meets all applicable health, training, and licensing requirements.
- I understand that if I am eligible for Care 4 Kids, benefits will not start until all information is received and verified.
- I may be required to repay any benefits received in error, including administrative errors. I may be subject to criminal prosecution for fraud if I knowingly supply any false information to Care 4 Kids or fail to report changes on time. I also may be disqualified from the program. In order to remain eligible, I must cooperate with the Care 4 Kids and State of Connecticut quality control process.

PLEASE READ AND SIGN: I have read my rights and responsibilities or have had them read to me in a language I understand. I certify, under penalty of perjury, that all of the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.				
Applicant Signature:	Date:			
Signature of other legally responsible adult living with you (i.e. spouse, child's other parent, etc.)				
Other Signature:	Date:			

RETURN THIS APPLICATION TO CARE 4 KIDS ONLINE: <u>https://www.ctcare4kids.com/upload/</u> MAIL OR DROP-OFF: Care 4 Kids = 55 Capital Boulevard = Rocky Hill, CT = 06067 FAX: 1-877-868-0871