



## Child Care Programs

### **Military Child Care Programs**

There are programs that subsidize the cost of child care to families of active duty military families. Subsidy amount is based on several factors that include: branch of military, family size, income, and cost of child care. All income levels may be eligible to receive a payment per child per month for full time childcare while the spouse is working, going to school full time, or looking for work. Guardians may also apply. Applications should be made online through the National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NACCRA).

For more information: 800-424-2246 or [usa.childcareaware.org/military-programs/](http://usa.childcareaware.org/military-programs/)

Families will be required to submit:

- Service Member's military orders (activated/deployed only)
- Leave and Earning Statements (LES) for the Service Member
- Spouse's most recent pay stub (most recent month), proof of attending school, or 90 certificate of looking for work
- Child(ren)'s birth certificate or self certification statement
- Information from your child care provider will also be needed such as, Child Care License, a W9 form and other credentials, if applicable

### **Illinois Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)**

The State of Illinois also offers child care assistance to low income, working families. The cost-share is based on family size and income. In addition to helping low-income, working families, the Child Care Assistance Program also serves families who are receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), teen parents seeking a high school degree or its equivalent; and/or families not receiving TANF, who are pursuing additional education to improve their job opportunities. Parents can get a subsidy to help with child care costs as well as assistance with choosing a child care provider.

To see if you qualify for assistance or contact the DHS help line 800-843-6154 or use the child care eligibility calculator [www.dhs.state.il.us/applications/ChildCareEligCalc/eligcalc.html](http://www.dhs.state.il.us/applications/ChildCareEligCalc/eligcalc.html)