



Office of Children and Family Services

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Dear Provider:

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) is excited to share with you some important information on the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). OCFS has launched an online portal to apply for child care assistance, using an electronic version of the OCFS 6025, *Application for Child Care Assistance*. This portal makes it easier for families who only want to apply for child care assistance (no other benefits) using a computer or mobile device and is available to families across the state, except New York City and Schenectady County which already have online applications.

We are asking you to share this information with families. Below is suggested language that can be used to let families know about the new portal and how to apply for assistance.

Dear Families,

Do you need help paying for child care? You may be eligible for assistance.

OCFS has launched an online Child Care Assistance Application (CCAA) portal to allow families to apply just for child care assistance. The portal is easy to use, secure, and allows you to apply from the convenience of your home, using a computer or mobile device. Eligible families may receive assistance with paying for some or all the cost of child care. To learn more about the CCAA, find out if you are eligible, or begin your application, please visit <https://ocfs.ny.gov/CCAP-Apply>.

We appreciate you and the valuable role that you play in the lives of children, families, and the larger community.

Thank you for your continued dedication to the children and families across New York State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nora Yates".

Nora Yates
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