



Do YOU have what it takes?

- ✓ Do you enjoy and respect children?
- ✓ Can you prepare your indoor and outdoor environment to be a safe place for children?
- ✓ Are you prepared to do a lot of cuddling, and to meet young children's other basic needs?
- ✓ Can you perform some basic business management tasks, such as bookkeeping and maintaining records?

If you answered "yes" to these questions and are at least 18 years old, you may be ready for one of the most rewarding jobs in the world!

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Child Care Support Services Can Help!

Licensed and Registered Providers receive:

- ✓ Technical Assistance
- ✓ Ongoing Support & Mentoring
- ✓ Training & Resources

Whether you are already a child care provider, or are considering this rewarding career and have questions, we welcome your phone calls, visits, and e-mails. Please contact:

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The Perks

What are the benefits of becoming a registered family child care provider?

- ✓ You play an important role in children's development
- ✓ Set your own business hours
- ✓ Be your own boss
- ✓ Support the local economy by providing a much needed service
- ✓ You are able to stay at home with your children
- ✓ Receive free training opportunities and support from Umbrella Child Care Support Services
- ✓ Belong to the largest workforce in the State of Vermont
- ✓ Join a professional provider network for support and training



Practical Matters

What are some basic laws regulating child care?

If you care for children from more than two families, you must register with the State of Vermont Child Care Services Division.

Registered Home child care providers are eligible to care for six full-time children that are younger than school age. Two of those children may be under the age of 2 years, but they don't have to be. In addition, four children may attend your program part time if they attend school.

Everyone in your household over the age of sixteen will have a basic background check performed on them.

There are yearly training requirements to maintain your registration.



Money Matters

How much can I earn as a child care provider?

Providers set their own rates. In our region care for one full-time child costs \$90 to \$125 per week.

What expenses are involved in operating a child care program?

There are many considerations in developing a budget for your program, including your salary, insurance and supplies. Child care providers typically provide one or more meals and two snacks during the day, and should have a good selection of age-appropriate toys and activities.

Umbrella can connect you with resources to help you establish a business plan and budget.