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Voucher Child Care is a process by which the Child Care Circuit contracts with the state to make child care accessible to authorized participants of the Dept. of Transitional Assistance and income eligible parents from the state-wide waiting list.

◆ Can I become a Voucher Provider?

You are eligible to participate in the Voucher Child Care Program if all of the following are met:

1. You are currently licensed or identified as a license exempt program by the Dept. of Early Education & Care.
2. You (or a current employee) are not the subject of a substantiated report of abuse/neglect or an EEC licensing litigation.
3. You understand and agree to all of the conditions in the Voucher Child Care Agreement. This is the contractual arrangement between a provider and Child Care Circuit to follow EEC provider policies for subsidized care.

◆ Why should I become a Voucher Provider?

- Voucher enrollment is flexible, as provider can determine the number of children accepted with subsidies.
- Stable source of revenue- guaranteed payment for services
- Ongoing training and technical assistance
- Marketing support and free publicity through increased referral base.
- Increased enrollment (voucher vs. empty slot)
- Fill a community need for families who require assistance in your area.
- Peer support network
- Meets eligibility requirement by EEC to apply for UPK (Universal Pre-Kindergarten) grant funding.
- Reimbursement rates are more comparable to private rates.

◆ How will parents choose a voucher program and contact me?

Once the parent has been determined eligible, if needed, an Information & Referral counselor will provide them with providers in their requested area that accept child care assistance vouchers. As a Voucher Provider, our program would be among these referrals a parent may choose from.

For more information on the voucher provider process, please contact:

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