

October 1, 2024

Re: 2025 Municipal Child Care Rate Increases

Dear Service Provider,

The opportunity to apply for a 2025 municipal rate increase is now available. Applications are due by **November 1, 2024**.

To reduce the administrative burden on service providers, Early Years and Child Care Services (EYCCS) made changes to the municipal child care rate increase process. The changes below took effect January 2022:

- Two application periods for requesting a municipal rate increase
- Two options for requesting a municipal rate increase

If you received a municipal rate increase in January 2024 or if you did not submit an application in 2024, you may be eligible for a January 2025 rate increase.

The rate increase process for 2025 will vary depending on your participation in the Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) program.

If you have **opted in** to the CWELCC program, you do not need to apply for a rate increase for your programs serving children 0-5 years of age through the regular municipal rate increase process as this has already been funded through the CWELCC you are receiving. For your programs serving children 6-12 years of age, you may apply for a municipal rate increase through the regular municipal rate increase process.

If you have **opted out** of the CWELCC program, you may apply for a municipal rate increase for your programs serving children 0-12 years of age through the regular municipal rate increase process.

Submitting a municipal rate increase application

Please complete **one** municipal rate increase application for eligible programs. As a reminder, if you are requesting more than EYCCS rate of inflation, you must demonstrate exceptional circumstances or costs incurred. Increased expenses related to the high rate of inflation are not considered an exceptional cost or circumstance and will not be considered as an acceptable reason for requesting more than the EYCCS rate of inflation as other funding is already being given to support these costs.

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2025 EYCCS rate of inflation

EYCCS has determined the rate of inflation to be 2.5% for 2025.

2025 EYCCS municipal rate caps

We have established municipal child care rate caps for age groups based on an analysis of the rates in Peel's child care system. These rate caps are increased each year based on the EYCCS rate of inflation. Please see the chart below for the **2025 municipal child care rate caps** by age group.

Age Group	2025 EYCCS Municipal Child Care Rate Caps
0-18 months	\$83.32
19-30 months	\$67.82
2.5-4 years	\$60.62
4-5 years (non-instructional day)	\$59.76
4-5 years (before & after school)	\$32.97
6-12 years (non-instructional day)	\$57.69
6-12 years (before & after school)	\$33.98

IMPORTANT: We will **not** approve a municipal rate that exceeds the EYCCS municipal rate cap. We reserve the right to fully, partially, or not approve any rate increase requests received.

For service providers receiving sanctions due to non-compliance, please refer to the Deadlines Compliance Policy at the time of your application submission to confirm your eligibility for a municipal rate increase.

Any questions about the above can be emailed to:

EarlyYearsSystemDivision@peelregion.ca.

Best regards,

Early Years and Child Care Services Division