

## Essential Workers Who are in Need of Child Care

As of 8pm 03/25/2020 By Executive order and by declaration of the Cabinet Secretary, of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, the State of WV must cease providing care for children of parents working Jobs deemed non-essential

If you are considered an essential worker and are in need of childcare assistance this is how you can apply for care.

- Please contact the Wheeling (Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler counties) or the Morgantown (Monongalia or Marion counties) CCRC offices. You will be contacted by a caseworker to complete an application over the phone. You will have 13 days to submit all required verifications and choose a provider that is a critical care site. As an approved essential employee you will not have a child care fee at this time.
- You can also start the process of applying for child care assistance online at [www.wvpath.org](http://www.wvpath.org). You will need to create an Optum Government ID and sign up for child care.
  - Once you have completed the app online you will need to contact the CCRC office to complete the phone interview. Please inform the Case Worker that you began the process online. You will have 13 days to submit all required verifications and choose a provider that is a critical care site. As an approved essential employee you will not have a child care fee at this time.

**If you are already an established CCRC client and are considered essential, please contact the office. We will need to determine you are an essential worker and provide you with an updated certificate with zero fees.**