Since the beginning of the public health emergency, New Mexico's child care providers have been open for business.

The state of New Mexico—in partnership with child care providers—have developed some of the clearest, most detailed health and safety regulations in the country. As a result, child care providers have kept COVID cases low.

- Handwashing
- Temperature-taking
- Cleaning and sanitation
- Distancing
- Mask-wearing
- Rapid response and testing if a positive case occurs

Here's what you’ll need to apply:

- Proof of income
- School schedules for applicant children
- Birth certificates for applicant children
- Proof of residence
- Contact info for selected child care provider (If you need help selecting a child care provider, please call Child Care Resource and Referral at the number below.)

Visit nmececd.org and click on “Am I Eligible?” or call 800-691-9067.

Email child.care@state.nm.us if you have questions or concerns about child care.