

Get to Know the Fair Start for Kids Act

The Fair Start for Kids Act may help your family!



A New Kind of Legislation - Washington's Fair Start for Kids Act is an investment in children and families that is unlike any we have seen before. This act is intended to assist families with young children by making child care more accessible and affordable.

New Benefits and Eligibility - Changes to eligibility means that more families now qualify for child care benefits. **If you didn't qualify for child care benefits before, you may qualify now!** Families and caregivers can find out if they are eligible for these new benefits by visiting [washingtonconnection.org/home/](https://www.washingtonconnection.org/home/)

Ways the Act Helps -

- The act will reduce the cost of child care to no more than 7% of a family's income by 2023.
- Reduces copays and expands eligibility for Working Connections Child Care.
- Expands eligibility for enrollment for the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program.
- Expands access to support services, mental health consultations, dual language supports, complex needs funding, and more.



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A complete list of the benefits and programs impacted by the act can be found here: dcyf.wa.gov/about/government-affairs/fair-start-for-kids-act.