



Oregon

Kate Brown, Governor

Early Learning Division



March 27, 2020

Dear Provider,

Under the Governor Brown's Executive Order, child care providers have been ordered to close unless they are providing Emergency Child Care. **The Early Learning Division (ELD) has extended the application period to Tuesday, March 31, 2020 for providers to apply to operate Emergency Child Care.** The previous deadline was Friday, March 27, 2020.

Providers who want to continue operating child care must complete the [online application](#) to be approved by the Office of Child Care. If you are offering Emergency Child Care, you must also follow [specific guidance](#) released by the ELD, in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority. You may continue to operate while your application is being reviewed unless your application is denied. If your application is denied, you will receive a written notification.

Emergency care requires group sizes of no more than 10 children – the same 10 or fewer children each day - in each classroom or home. This does not prohibit you from serving new families during the emergency care period.

Please continue to stay up to date by checking the ELD's [COVID-19 webpage](#), where Frequently Asked Questions are regularly updated. We appreciate your willingness to serve Oregon children and families through this unprecedented time.

Thank you,

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