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Dear Provider,

As a small business, we know many child care providers may be closed or facing difficult challenges during the COVID-19 emergency.

To help providers remain in business through this uncertain time, the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) provides loans and grants to small businesses with fewer than 500 employees. **Nonprofit and for-profit child care providers (home and center-based) are eligible to apply for these funds.**

One of the five programs is the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). The PPP is expected to be the most popular program for child care providers and other small businesses. Given that PPP loans will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis and that there will not be enough for all eligible businesses, **it is important to move quickly if your organization is eligible and interested.**

You can find more details and the latest resources at [www.orproviderrelief.org](http://www.orproviderrelief.org).

Please know we are working to support you through this unprecedented time.

Best,

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