# **CLEANING AND SANITIZING REIMBURSEMENT GRANTS**

#### **SUMMARY**

The Department of Human Services, Division of Family (DHS/DFD) is making grants immediately available to support programs and providers participating in the state's Child Care Subsidy Program. The grant includes a specific emphasis on cleaning and sanitizing as a precaution to help programs and providers sanitize beyond routine cleaning and lessen the impact of the worsening spread of an infectious disease, such as the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

- Grants are available to eligible child care providers and programs participating in the NJ Child Care Subsidy Program.
- Child care providers and programs must register with the NJ Workforce Registry.
- Child care providers must comply with Child Care Development Block Grant requirements, including staff completion of pre-service health and safety trainings: <a href="https://ccnam.org
- Child care providers and programs interested in applying for the grant must submit an application with all the required documents.
- This grant is subject to an application review process and may require a site visit.
- This grant is based on available funding and will be released by priority.

#### **KEY THINGS TO KNOW**

## Applications will be accepted immediately

- Reimbursement Grants are available to licensed centers, including licensed before and aftercare programs, youth camps and family child care providers participating in NJ's Child Care Subsidy Program.
- Licensed centers, before/aftercare programs and youth camps must apply through the <u>New Jersey Child Care</u> Information System (NJCCIS).
- Family Child Care programs must apply through their local Child Care Resource & Referral Agency (CCR&R).
- This grant <u>cannot</u> be used for capital improvement purchases, i.e. building construction, renovations or major repairs.
- Once the application, affidavit and required documents (proof of expense) are reviewed and approved, the agency will receive payment within 30 days of approval.
- Child care providers who have received funding for these same services from any other source, such as school districts or private grants, are not eligible for this grant.

#### **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

Guidance on cleaning and disinfecting can be found on the <a href="CDC-How to Clean&Disinfect Schools">CDC-How to Clean&Disinfect Schools</a>
Learn what precautions you can take by calling the NJ Coronavirus & Poison Center Hotline at 1-800-222-1222

For additional information regarding the NJ Child Care Subsidy Program, visit <a href="www.ChildCareNJ.gov">www.ChildCareNJ.gov</a>