

# Family Childcare Capacity Pilot New Business Component



## Open Request for Application (RFA)

The SECT Childcare Collective is working to expand the number of new family childcare businesses and available childcare slots in New London County.

The goal of the Family Childcare Capacity Pilot is to:

1. Increase the number of Family Childcare (FCC) Providers operating in New London County
2. Assist potential providers with the skills needed to start and sustain a new family childcare business

The support, training, and funds provided in this pilot are a one-time investment to each prospective provider. The pilot goes through November, 2027. Applications can be submitted through May, 2027

### Prospective Providers Will Receive

- **Technology:** Equipment, setup, software, technology literacy training, childcare systems support, childcare management software with curriculum programming.
- **New Business Funds:** Support necessary physical improvements (e.g. fences, gates) to meet licensing requirements, age-appropriate activities and furniture, and other needs to ensure program success
- **Business Development:** Navigating existing local and statewide resources; Gaining new business training (LLC, insurance, accounting); Achieving programmatic requirements (curricula development, licensing needs)

### Prospective Provider Considerations

1. All individuals living in the household over 18 years of age will need to complete background checks and an Adult Medical Statement
2. Anyone living in the household under 18 years of age requires a Child Health Assessment
3. Licensing has safety requirements such as but not limited to lead and well water testing, adult medical statements, and current rabies vaccination certificate for dogs and cats (For more detailed OEC [licensing](https://www.ctoec.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/OEC-Licensing_Provider-Brochure_Web-ADA.pdf) requirements, visit [https://www.ctoec.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/OEC-Licensing\\_Provider-Brochure\\_Web-ADA.pdf](https://www.ctoec.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/OEC-Licensing_Provider-Brochure_Web-ADA.pdf))

### Pilot Requirements

1. Must be 20 years of age or older
2. Must be a legal United States citizen
3. Must have a home sufficient to care for six to nine children
4. Must reside in New London County, CT

### Eligibility

After applying to the pilot, applicants will go through a screening process to determine eligibility:

1. Participate in a screening interview
2. Conduct a market analysis of where the new home-based childcare business will be located
3. Provide two references (one personal and one professional)
4. Provide documentation of landlord approval if renting

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