



Step 1: Eligibility Questions

This user guide shows how to complete Step 1: General Application Information in the *Invest in NY - Child Care Deserts Grant for Existing Providers* application.

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Grant Eligibility Questions

Eligible providers must be operating an existing licensed child care program before January 28, 2022 and have a base RFA score of at least 30, based on their site location. Providers must have contacted their assigned OCFS regulator or NYC DOHMH borough office about changes to their license and initiated the process for updating program specifics before submitting their application. NYCDOHMH permitted Article 47 day care centers must initiate contact with their borough office regarding permit changes.

1. *Step 1: Eligibility Questions* requires existing providers to either **select Yes or No** for each of the questions.

1: ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONS

Application Number : A-30782 Exit

* 1a). Are you an existing licensed child care program before 1/28/22 and have you scored at least 30 points in categories A1-A4 in Section 5.2 Application Content?
 Yes
 No

* 1b). Have you contacted the assigned OCFS regulator about changes to program license and initiated the process for updating program specifics, if necessary, before submitting your application? Or if you are a NYCDOHMH permitted Article 47 day care center, have you contacted the borough office regarding permit changes?
 Yes
 No

* 1c). If you are a Component B Program, have you documented program enrollment as of the date the grant portal is opened in the CCFS/FAMS system by the date of application submission?
 Yes
 No
 N/A

* 1d). Are you a Component A eligible program (DCC, SACC) proposing to expand licensed capacity? Or Are you a Component B eligible program (SDCC, FDC, GFDC) and proposing one or more of the following: 1) expanding to provide non-traditional hours care, 2) enrolling at least one special needs child by six months after the date of their pre-approval letter, or 3) enrolling at least one infant/toddler child by six months after the date of their pre-approval letter. Important Note: If you are a Component B program (SDCC, FDC, GFDC) that is already designated as providing nontraditional hour care, you can only apply under #2 and or #3 above (serving infant/toddlers or children with special needs) assuming you are under enrolled and without displacing existing children.
 Yes
 No

A "No" response to any Eligibility Questions or applicant submission requirements in this section or failure to submit the required documentation with your application may result in disqualification of your application.



Note: Please see the *Child Care Deserts Grant for Existing Providers* website for details regarding eligibility: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/programs/childcare/deserts/existing.php>

Application Submission Requirements

1. The *Application Submission Requirements* section requires existing providers to either **select Yes or No** for each of the questions. Note that a “No” response to any of these questions may result in a disqualification of your application.
2. Once all selections have been made **click on the Save and Next** button.

*1m). I certify that my organization agrees to the workplan deliverables and program requirements in Section 4.1., Desired Outcomes and Program Requirements.

Yes
 No

Application Submission Requirements

*By submission of a proposal, I agree not to make any claims for or have a right to any damages because of any misrepresentations or misunderstanding of the specifications or because of any lack of information.


Yes
 No

*I certify that all information provided in connection with this application is true and accurate.

Yes
 No

*I understand that proposals that do not provide all the documents requested in RFA Section 5.0 APPLICATION CONTENT AND SUBMISSION and/or are not submitted as required by the instructions provided in RFA Section 5.3 Application Submittal Process may be subject to rejection.

Yes
 No

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