

Emergency Drop-In Child Care Services Ending October 30, 2026

Whatcom County Health and Community Services has decided not to continue the Drop-In Care Pilot Project beyond its current term. This decision reflects the program's cost and reach, not the value it has provided to families.

Families may continue using ChildCareSpaces for emergency drop-in care through October 30th, 2026. After that date, County-funded emergency drop-in care through this program will no longer be available.

Other Child Care Assistance

- Whatcom Kids First Child Care Subsidy — ongoing financial assistance with participating providers
- Opportunity Council Emergency Child Care Vouchers — short-term emergency child care assistance
- Child Care Aware Child Care Referral Specialists — help locating available child care programs

For help navigating these options, contact Carrie-Ann Deguzman, Early Learning and Care Program Specialist, at cdeguzma@co.whatcom.wa.us.

Thank you to every family and provider who made this program possible.

— *Peace Centers and Whatcom County Health and Community Services*