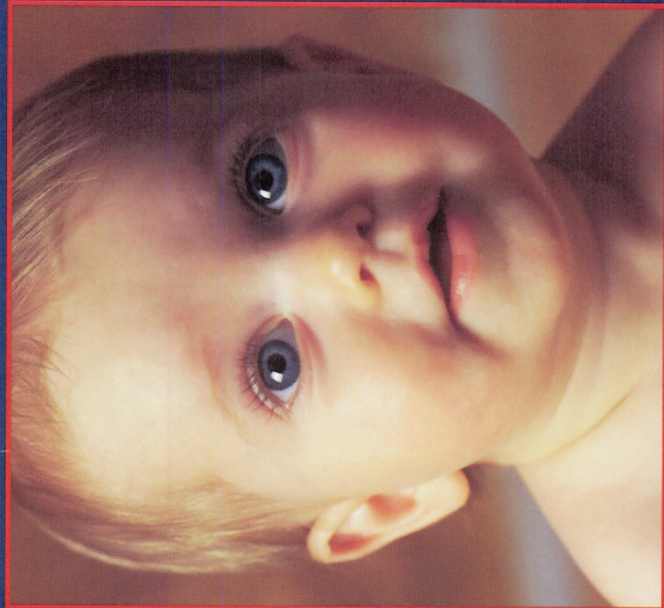


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**Quality,
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Strong Partnership

The **United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force** have joined in a partnership with **The National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies (NACCRRRA)** to support military families.

NACCRRRA works with a network of more than 850 state and local Child Care Resource and Referral agencies. These agencies help military families locate affordable, quality civilian child care/school age programs in the communities where they reside.

For More Information:

Call Child Care Aware™ toll-free at 1.800.424.2246

Log on: www.NACCRRRA.org/MilitaryPrograms

Fax: 703.341.4101

Questions? Send an email to: MCCIYN@naccrra.org

**Military Child Care
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**Quality, Affordable Child Care
is closer to you than ever before . . .**



Why is child care needed?

Many Active Duty Service Members live in communities where no military child care is available or where there are long waiting lists for child care on the installation.

To meet this need, the Department of Defense has asked NACCRRA to partner with state and local child care resource and referral agencies to refer military families to nationally accredited child care programs, and help additional child care programs in selected communities become accredited.

HOW MUCH WILL FEES BE REDUCED?

Fee reductions will vary depending upon total family income, geographic location, Department of Defense child care fee policies and available funding. The fee assistance program is limited to single parent families, families with a working spouse, or a spouse who is enrolled in school. Spouses looking for work are eligible for fee assistance for 60 days.

The civilian child care programs that provide **MCCIYN** are comparable in quality to military-operated on-base programs.

Examples of programs eligible to participate in MCCIYN:

1. Nationally accredited child care centers or accredited FCC homes
2. FCC homes with a CDA-credentialed provider

NOTE:

Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood services are not an entitlement and are subject to geographic availability of care and Department of Defense/Military Service funding.

MILITARY CHILD CARE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD:

*A new initiative called **Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood: Help when on-base child care programs are not available or accessible.***

ELIGIBILITY

Children of geographically dispersed **Active Duty** families with no access to on-base child care. Examples include children of Active Duty Recruiters, ROTC Instructors, MEPCOM personnel, Service Members on independent duty assignments and Service Members living in communities that are not within reasonable commuting distances to military installations.

Note: Military Child Care in Your Neighborhood programs may not be available in all locations.

Children of Active Duty families who are wait-listed per Service policy and not currently enrolled in on-base child care.

Child Age Groups Served: 6 weeks - 12 years

Care Options:

Children may attend civilian child care centers, family child care homes and after-school programs. Children may use full-day, part-day and hourly care.

This program is subject to geographic location and vacancy.



How does the program work?

1. The Service member, spouse or legal guardian contacts Child Care Aware, a division of NACCRRA, at **1-800-424-2246** or via the web at www.naccrra.org/militaryprograms.
2. Staff will ask for some initial information to determine eligibility and child care needs.
3. When the child's eligibility is determined, NACCRRA staff will link the Service/family member to their local child care resource and referral agency for help locating an available quality child care space.
4. Once the child care space is found, the family will complete an application.
5. Copies of the following documents must be provided as part of the application process:
 - Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) for the Service Member
 - Spouse's most recent pay stub or proof of enrollment in school
 - Child(ren)'s birth certificate(s) or self-certification of parenthood
 - Child care provider application
6. As soon as the application and documents are received, the enrollment process begins.
7. The enrollment process takes between one and five business days to complete, following receipt of the family's completed application and information from the participating civilian child care program.
8. The Service/family member pays a reduced fee directly to the child care program. The difference is paid to the child care program by the Military Service through NACCRRA.

