

TANF CHILD CARE ELIGIBILITY & COORDINATION

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Working Caretaker Relative Child Care

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References: 52-2-701 – 704 & 52-2-711 – 713 MCA
Sections 37.80.101-103, 37.80.201-202, 37.80.205-206, 37.80.301-302,
37.80.305-306, 37.80.315-316, 37.80.501 ARM
45 CFR Part 98.20 – 47

General Rule

The Working Caretaker Relative Child Care program is designed to assist specified caretaker relatives who are receiving child only TANF grants with child care costs associated with the minor child(ren) for whom they are receiving TANF cash assistance as determined by the Office of Public Assistance.

Child care benefits under the Working Caretaker Relative Child Care program may begin the date the referral form is received by the Child Care Resource & Referral agency [CCR&R]. The referral date is determined by the Office of Public Assistance.

The application for the Working Caretaker Relative program is available at the regional CCR&R agencies. The applicant then has 30 days from the date of the OPA referral to submit a completed Best Beginnings Child Care Scholarship application to the CCR&R agency.

Families on the Working Caretaker Program must use providers listed in 37.80.101(2). Each caretaker relative will have a monthly copayment as defined in TANF Policy 1101-2 (Working Caretaker Child Care).

If OPA determines a case no longer meets requirements for the Working Caretaker Relative program, the case will close.