



Non-Traditional Hours Slots F.A.Q.

Q: What are the Non-Traditional Hours (NTH) Slots Pilot Program?

A: The NTH Slots Pilot Program is a collaboration between the State of Nevada Division of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS) Child Care and Development Program (CCDP), State of Nevada Child Care Licensing, Silver State Starts Quality Rating & Improvement System (QRIS), The Children’s Cabinet, and the Las Vegas Urban League Early Childhood Connection. The purpose of this Pilot Program is to increase the number of available slots statewide for NTH and provide subsidy reimbursement at an enhanced rate.

Additional information can be found in the Notice of Application and supporting documents. The completed application should be emailed to the CCDP at ccdp@dwss.nv.gov titled, “NTH Slot Application” on the subject line. All interested providers must be registered with The Children’s Cabinet or the Las Vegas Urban League to accept subsidy-eligible children.

Q: How many slots can I apply for?

A: Awarded slots can be issued from a minimum of one (1) to a maximum allowed by regulations, facility type, and other various pilot program factors. It is important to note that a provider is not guaranteed to be awarded as many slots as they apply for.

Q: How can I apply?

A: Child care providers who are interested in participating in the NTH Slot Pilot Program must complete a NTH Application and attend an Informational Webinar. The Notice of Application and supporting documents can all be found on the Nevada Child Care website.

Q: Who can apply for the NTH Slots Pilot Program?

A: The following provider types can apply for the NTH Slots Pilot Program:

1. Child Care Center/Business
2. Family Child Care (FCC)
3. Group Family Child Care (GFCC)
4. Family, Friend, or Neighbor (FFN)

For assistance in determining your provider type, please contact your local Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) Agency (The Children’s Cabinet or The Las Vegas Urban League).

Q: What is the timeframe for serving non-traditional hour child care?

A: To meet the definition of serving during non-traditional hours, the child care provider must care for child(ren) outside the hours of 7 am – 6 pm, weekends, and/or on state holidays. It also must be reflected on their license (if applicable).

Q: Who is eligible to fill the NTH slot(s) I am awarded?

A: Any subsidy-eligible child or youth who meets the NTH requirement can occupy the slot. This includes children or youth currently enrolled, newly enrolled, and/or waitlisted with your center, school, or program.

Q: What hours do child care providers have to be open to qualify for the Non-Traditional Hours Slots?

A: For the provider to qualify for NTH slots, they must be open at least 20 hours per week beyond the traditional hours of 7am – 6pm, Monday through Friday. This could include providing child care on the weekends, state holidays, or during the hours of 6pm – 7am (Monday through Friday).

Q: Non-Traditional Hours slots started at a minimum of 4 hours. Is that 4 hours per day or week?

A: The child must attend at least one (1) day of at least four (4) continuous hours during the non-traditional hour timeframe each month, to qualify for payment for the NTH slot.

Q: When I have a child or youth occupy the slot, what do I need to do?

A: Once awarded, please contact your CCR&R Agency within three (3) business days of that child occupying the slot. Failure to do so may result in that child being paid at an incorrect rate and the provider may have to forfeit the month at the enhanced subsidy rate. Also, the provider must write on the timesheet next to the name of the child occupying the slot, "NTH Slot" to indicate that they are occupying the slot to ensure correct payment.

Q: What if an awarded slot becomes vacant?

A: Child care providers must report any NTH vacancies to their respective CCR&R Agency within three (3) business days. Failure to do so may result in an overpayment that may need to be recouped.

Q21: I am a 24-Hour child care, can I be awarded both slots for different children?

A: Yes, you could potentially be awarded both slots. Children may only be approved for one type of slot at a time. The reimbursement amounts are not cumulative should a child qualify for multiple of the available slot pilot programs. Should a child you care for qualify for more than just one pilot program, please contact The Child Care & Development Program to discuss which slot pilot program would be the best fit for the child.

Q: Am I paid when a slot is vacant?

A: No, providers will not be reimbursed for vacant NTH slots.

Q: Is this money taxable?

A: Yes, all monies awarded through the NTH Slots Pilot Program, and the Quality Improvement Grant are taxable. As a reminder, please always talk to your tax advisor for specific questions.

Q: How long will this program be available?

A: This pilot program is funded by COVID Relief Funding. Funding is available through September 30, 2024.

Q: What is the addendum that needs to be signed?

A: The addendum outlines the terms and conditions of either the awarded slots or grant. If awarded one or more slots or any Quality Improvement Grant monies, an addendum to the Provider Service Agreement will need to be signed. They will be sent out via email with an award letter notifying the child care provider of their eligibility status in the slots pilot program or with the grant. Both signed addendums are to be emailed back to your CCR&R Agency within ten (10) business days. Failure to do so may result in a delayed payment.

Q: What is the reimbursement amount?

A: The monthly reimbursement amount for each awarded slot is \$2,000.

Q: What if I have a child that qualifies for multiple of the available pilot programs?

A: In the event that you have say a child who has special health care needs and is in non-traditional hours care, please contact the CCDP.

Q: What if I have a question not covered in this FAQ?

A: Please send all questions to the CCDP at ccdcp@dwss.nv.gov titled, "NTH Slot Question" to ensure that it does not get missed and that it gets to the correct person. Someone will either email or call you within three (3) business days. We'd love to hear from you.

We appreciate your willingness to participate in this pilot program and care for Nevada's children during non-traditional hours. Thank you!