

Childcare



One of the many challenges for a working parent is finding safe and reliable child care arrangements for your children when you are working. This can be especially difficult if both parents are working and their schedules vary or change. Thankfully, there are resources available to assist working parents in their search for licensed child care providers, as well as other valuable information pertaining to child care and early educational needs of children.

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The Michigan Department of Human Services provides parents with information regarding child care and a search tool for locating licensed providers at: http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,4562,7-124-5529_7143---,00.html.

The Michigan Department of Education's greatstartCONNECT is an excellent site for child care and preschool resources, connecting families to high-quality early learning and child care: <http://greatstartconnect.org/>.

Another website which offers a variety of useful information for parents is the U.S. DHHS Office of Child Care *Resources for Parents* page. This site contains valuable information on how to find good quality child care and many other topics that all parents may find helpful. This site also contains articles and tips on topics such as using relatives to provide child care and making decisions regarding returning to work, as well as the local contact phone numbers for certain programs. To visit this federal website, go to <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/occ/parents>.