

County of Renfrew Child Care and Early Years Division provides the following core services: special needs support through Inclusion Services, Fee Subsidy, and Licensed Home Child Care for those who qualify within Renfrew County.

Inclusion Services promotes quality, inclusive Child Care for all children with special needs. This team works together with families and outside agencies to implement strategies and recommendations, as well as providing professional development for staff within Licensed Child Care settings.

Fee Subsidy is available to assist eligible families with the cost of licensed child care. Fee Subsidy supports eligible families by paying up to 100% of their total licensed child care costs. Options for child care include licensed child care centers, nursery schools, licensed home child care, approved recreation programs or school based extended day programs.

Licensed Home Child Care Agency contracts with Individual Child Care Providers who use their own homes to provide quality care for children. The Agency screens, approves, and monitors the Home Child Care Providers and their family using the legislation of the Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014. Each Child Care Provider, with support from the Licensed Home Visitor, must provide an environment that fosters the health, safety, nutrition, and well-being of the children in their care (maximum of six).

Programs with Current Agreements with Inclusion Services

- County of Renfrew Licensed Home Child Care
- Chalk River Nursery School
- Child's Paradise Day Care Centre
- Children's Garden/Highview/Cathedral
- Columbus House-Renfrew & Pembroke
- Centre éducatif l'Équinoxe
- Deep River Nursery School
- Ketcha Star
- Kiddie Kollege Nursery School
- Kidz Kastle
- Kidz Kastle - St. John Bosco
- Kinder Connection Nursery School
- La garderie Les petite mains
- Leaps & Bounds Children's Centre- Arnprior & Renfrew
- Leaps & Bounds - St. Joseph's
- Lil' Troopers North Day Care
- Lil' Troopers South Day Care
- Mountain River Child Care Association
- Pineridge Children's Centre
- PMFRC-Child Care Services- North & South
- PMFRC- Our Lady of Sorrows
- PMFRC- Private Home Child Care
- PMFRC- Valour
- Rec Plex North Side
- Rec Plex South Side

*Please note this list is subject to change at any time.

Inclusion Services offers support to Licensed Child Care Agencies in Renfrew County when a referral has been made regarding concern for a child in one or more developmental areas (ex. physical, social/emotional, cognitive, etc.)

A referral can be made to Inclusion Services by completing the Referral and Intake Package. A referral can be made by a parent/guardian, a Licensed Child Care Centre, or an outside agency involved with the file. The Referral & Intake package is available on the County of Renfrew website at [Child Care and Early Years - County of Renfrew](#). Once referred, the child will be assigned to an Inclusion Coordinator, who will hold a Team Meeting with the parent/guardians, Child Care staff and any other individuals involved, to discuss the child's strengths and needs, and develop goals within the program. The Inclusion Coordinator will then complete routine visits and consultations with staff to provide recommendations based on the goals developed at the Team Meeting. The Inclusion Coordinator will complete an Individual Program Plan in conjunction with the Early Years Supervisor to outline specific methodology in order to achieve the goals set by the family and Child Care staff.

Additional supports provided by Inclusion Services may be in the form of:

- an environmental assessment
- providing resource materials
- providing funding for enhanced staffing to the program
- professional development opportunities such as training/workshops for staff

The County of Renfrew Child Care Inclusion Services' goal is to ensure that every child will be able to attend a Licensed Child Care agency in their community that offers inclusive programs for all children.

Roles and Responsibilities

Parents/Guardians

- Participate in Team Meetings/Case Conferences
- Be available for regular communication with the Child Care and Inclusion Services Staff
- Participate in goal setting
- Inform the Child Care staff of any changes to the child's attendance

Child Care Program

- Provide relevant information regarding the child's well-being, development, and general health to the Inclusion Services Team
- Participate in goal setting, implementation of recommendations and ongoing documentation as per the Individual Program Plan
- Ensure Resource Staff are always over and above regular RECE ratios.
- Provide time for RECE and Resource Staff to attend relevant meetings, case conferences, and professional development opportunities.