What is happening?

Effective April 1st, 2021

Approved relative child care providers will be required to complete the free Getting Started training offered by Growing Futures.

This course will cover the following topics:

- Development and Responsive Interactions
- Safe and Effective Environments
- Health and Nutrition
- Plus much more

What does this mean?

All approved relative providers must complete the training within 90 days from the time of their approval.

- If the training is not completed within the 90 days, the approval will end
- Must be completed every 4 years

What to do now:

- Create a Growing Futures account and register for training.
- See the Growing Futures Guidebook to get started

Interested in becoming a Self-Declared Provider?

Why consider becoming a self-declared provider?

Self-declared providers may care for up to 5 children, or 3 children under 24 months of age in a home.

Approved relative providers already complete many of the requirements for self-declared registration.

With a few additional steps you could be eligible for more incentives.

Additional requirements:

As well as the steps already completed in the approved relative provider registration process, self-declared providers must complete the following:

- Basic health and safety training
- Yearly home inspection prior to approval
- Receive one monitoring visit from licensing specialists per year
- $15 application fee per year

Benefits of becoming self-declared:

- CCAP can pay up to an additional $60 per month per child
- Eligible to receive reimbursements for meals through the Child & Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

Visit Child Care Aware of ND to learn more information and/or submit an application.

https://ndchildcare.org/start/self-declared/

For more information about CACFP visit https://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp.