

Navy Child Development Home Program

If you are currently looking for child care, the Child Development Home (CDH) Program is a viable option that the Navy relies on to help meet your child care needs. The military has the most comprehensive, well-managed child care system in the country. The Navy recognizes the value of its CDH providers and the programs they offer military children.

There are many benefits of choosing a Child Development Home:

- Gives parents another viable child care option to allow them to work or go to school.
- It's the option of choice for many parents.
- Supports the mission by providing care for unique circumstances such as care for children with special needs, extended hours care and evening/weekend care.
- Encourages mixed age groupings so siblings can be cared for together in the same environment and younger children can learn from older ones and older children can mentor younger ones.
- Provides a small group environment for children and/or parents who need or want a small group experience.
- Allows children to be cared for within their own neighborhoods.
- Provides a small business opportunity for family members and helps increase economic self-sufficiency of the family unit.
- Demonstrates military's commitment to ensure safe, healthy child care programs run by professional, nurturing adults through screening, standards, training, certification, and monitoring of providers.

Navy Child Development Home Provider Requirements

- Background Screenings
- 3 Personal or Professional References
- Medical Screening
- CPR-First Aid
- Back Up Provider
- Family Interview
- Orientation Training
- Home Inspection
- Proof of Liability Insurance

After Certification

- Monthly Unannounced Visits
- 2 Hours Training per Month
- CDH Providers Training Program (13 Modules)

Annual Re-certification Requirements

- Family Interview
- Records Check
- Medical Screening
- Home Inspection
- Update CPR and Child Abuse Training
- Participation in Navy CDH Provider Training Program
- Annual Insurance Premium
- Attendance at Monthly Trainings
- Successful Monthly Home Visits