



Childcare Availability starting Wednesday, March 25, 2020 for Hospital Health Care Workers

The Maryland Hospital Association (MHA) is working with the Maryland Department of Health (MDH), the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), and non-governmental organizations to set up childcare programs for hospital health care workers during this pandemic. **Initially, the Y in Central Maryland will have services across the state available beginning Wednesday for children of essential hospital workers.** This service will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis, since initially there may not be adequate capacity to meet the demand. Parents should seek to keep their child at home to promote social distancing. This service is being offered to those who are not able to keep their child at home or find other childcare arrangements. Parents should first seek to exhaust all other options before registering for this service.

We expect more information about additional sites for childcare will be available soon.

Share this link with your designated employees considered eligible as soon as possible: [Ymaryland.org/emergencypersonnelservices](https://ymaryland.org/emergencypersonnelservices)

MHA will work with your teams to verify that designated employees are in the targeted group of essential personnel.

Here are the details that are available at this time:

- Locations are available in the registration link
- Cost is covered by the state
- Online registration will be available on a first-come, first-served basis; hospitals will be receiving lists regularly to review participants
- Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Open to children ages 4 through 12
- For essential hospital workers only

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