

# UPDATE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



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## ASSISTED LIVING STAFF ELIGIBLE FOR CHILD-CARE

Dear Mass-ALA Members:

We understand that with schools closed, assisted living staff are finding it difficult to balance work and family during this state of emergency. Here is an update on a childcare resource that we have confirmed assisted living staff are eligible to apply for.

Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker has announced that health care workers will be eligible to send their children to an emergency drop-in childcare site. The commissioner of early education considers assisted living employees to be healthcare workers and therefore, eligible for emergency daycare. Hundreds of sites opened this week (list below). Families [must apply for care](#) through the state. Employees are encouraged to apply in a timely fashion as slots are expected to fill up quickly. Listed below are some links that will be helpful as families seek daycare providers during this time.

- The Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care released [information for parents](#) who want to apply for emergency care here: [https://eeced.force.com/apex/EEC\\_ChildCareEmergencyParents](https://eeced.force.com/apex/EEC_ChildCareEmergencyParents)
- The [list of approved emergency child-care providers](#) is available here: [https://eeced.force.com/resource/1584812870000/EEC\\_EmergencyProviderList](https://eeced.force.com/resource/1584812870000/EEC_EmergencyProviderList)

*Mass-ALA will continue to keep you informed on Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Stay tuned for more updates*

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