



BEST BEGINNINGS CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP

SUPPLEMENT 1

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Reporting Changes

You must report a change in child care provider to your Child Care Agency within one business day. Failure to report may mean that the provider will not receive a payment under the scholarship. The payment start date for the new provider will be the date the change is reported.

Fraud

Child care fraud is larceny. Fraud involving more than \$500 is a felony. In Montana, a person who purposely makes a false statement to get assistance or who knowingly fails to notify of a change in circumstances that could affect eligibility for assistance may be guilty of larceny. If you are convicted of child care fraud, you can be punished according to Montana law.

Payment Policies

Parents are responsible for paying their Scholarship co-payment, charges above the maximum reimbursable rate the Scholarship may pay to providers, and those registration and activity fees not paid by the Best Beginnings Scholarship. Family, Friend, and Neighbor (FFN) and Relative Care Exempt (RCE) providers must pay all fees associated with background checks.

Repayment

Anyone who causes an improper payment to a provider by withholding information about any of the above changes will be required to repay the amount of the improper payment. Repayment will be in either a lump sum or according to a written repayment plan.