



# **Early Childhood Development Services (ECDS)**

**Supported Child Care Grant (SCCG)**

**Terms and Conditions**

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## Terms & Conditions Overview

These Terms and Conditions clarify the responsibilities of the child care facility and the Department of Community Services (“the Department”), as well as ensure adequate accountability for the funding provided through this grant.

The Supported Child Care Grant (SCCG) is intended to support a source of funding to licensed, full, part-day and school-age child care facilities to create or sustain inclusive child care programs for all children.

A key component of this initiative is the Funding Agreement. This Agreement serves to clarify responsibilities of the facility(s) and the Department and to ensure adequate accountability for the funding provided through this grant.

**Note: Please refer to “Appendix A – Definitions” for definitions of the terms used throughout this document.**

## Grant Description

This funding support is intended to provide a source of funding to assist in the creation or enhancement of existing inclusive child care programs for young children. Funding within a child care facility’s operating budget may also support the implementation and delivery of the inclusive child care program within early childhood settings.

All applicants are required to complete the Work Plan included in the application. The Work Plan demonstrates how an existing program will be enhanced or how a new program will provide inclusive child care. On an initial and on an annual basis, licensed child care facilities who wish to be considered for SCCG funding are required to apply for the SCCG and to complete an updated Work Plan included in the application. The application will be evaluated based on this Work Plan. All funding amounts will be based on the evaluation of the Work Plan submitted with the application and the facility’s adherence to these Terms and Conditions.

The SCCG funding model is calculated as a percentage of the licensed capacity. The funding provided from this grant is to be used for wages for additional staff, approved professional development and approved education or resource materials directly related to the delivery of an inclusive program. SCCG funds are **not** to be used for capital expenditures such as renovations.

Facilities requiring additional information about the SCCG, or to obtain a copy of the application form, are requested to contact their Regional Early Childhood Development Consultant (ECDC). ECDC’s can provide support in the development of the application by providing information, resources and tools to assist in creating and maintaining high quality and inclusive learning environments for children, families and staff.

Further information can be obtained by visiting the Department of Community Services Internet site:

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/coms/families/provider/SupportedChildCare.html>



















