

Notice to Child Care Programs on Tuition Rates

The underlined portion of the following statute became effective on July 1, 2025. This law limits the amount a child care provider may increase its annual tuition rates.

33 V.S.A. § 3517: CHILD CARE TUITION RATES

A child care provider shall ensure that its tuition rates are available to the public. A regulated child care provider shall not impose an increase on annual child care tuition that exceeds 1.5 times the most recent annual increase in the NAICS code 611, Educational Services. This amount shall be posted on the Department's website annually.

For the year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, regulated child care programs may not increase their annual tuition rates by more than 5.4%.

This amount is 1.5 times the percent change of the Bureau of Labor Statistics' [Employment Cost Index for NAICS code 611, Educational Services](#), for the 12-month period ending March 2026.

The Child Development Division has included this new requirement in the revision of the Child Care Licensing Rules, which are currently being finalized for promulgation. Failure to comply may affect a program's ability to receive grants or other financial assistance from the Division.