

December 5, 2023

RE: 2024 Wage Enhancement Grant/Home Child Care Enhancement Grant

Dear Service Provider,

We are writing to share information on the 2024 Wage Enhancement Grant/Home Child Care Enhancement Grant (WEG/HCCEG) funding.

Action Required by Service Providers

1. Log into GovGrants, accept your interest in the funding opportunity
2. Complete the application (including updated salary information) no later than December 20, 2023, at 11:59 pm.

2024 WEG/HCCEG Application

The 2024 WEG/HCCEG application window will be open from **December 5 to December 20**.

- Please review your 2024 application, which will be pre-populated with the staffing data you submitted in late spring 2023 via GovGrants.
- Make any changes (if applicable) to the application based on your projected operating information and updated hourly wages for staff for January to December 2024 based on your current operations and submit your application.
- **Base wage amounts should be updated** to reflect changes to the minimum wage and any compensation increases you have implemented this year (e.g. collective agreement, cost of living increases, performance increases, etc.).

For applications received by December 20, 2023, we will aim to process payments beginning in February 2024.

The videos at the following links can support you in submitting your WEG/HCCEG application:

- [WEG Application Link](#)
- [HCCEG Application Link](#)

New Service Providers Who Open in 2024

If you open a new head office/licence in 2024, you can apply for WEG/HCCEG in the next window, anticipated for spring 2024. Service providers with an existing 2024 WEG agreement that open new sites will receive an amendment once operations are active. Once it is available, you will receive a notification communicating the announcement opportunity through GovGrants. Approval is subject to funding availability.

WEG/HCCEG Caps

To receive WEG/HCCEG, eligible staff and home child care providers must earn less than the provincial WEG/HCCEG caps. The caps for 2024 are as follows:

- \$30.59 per hour for WEG; and

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- \$305.90 daily for full HCCEG and \$183.54 for partial HCCEG.

Administration Funding

After reviewing provincial guidelines and funding allocations, we will release details on funding in spring to support program administration in 2024.

Note: If you only receive WEG/HCCEG funding from the Region, you will receive administration funding as part of your GovGrants WEG/HCCEG funding announcement.

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Key Dates

Date	Details
December 20, 2023	<p>Deadline to submit your 2024 WEG/HCCEG application in GovGrants.</p> <p>Reminder: You are encouraged to submit your application as soon as possible after the application window opens on December 5th to avoid interruptions to your WEG/HCCEG payments.</p> <p>Delays in submitting your application or responding to requests for additional information may delay approval and funding release.</p>
December 31, 2023	<p>Deadline for you to make your final 2023 WEG/HCCEG payment to your staff/providers.</p>
Early 2024	<p>Peel will start issuing 2024 WEG/HCCEG to service providers.</p> <p>You must issue 2024 WEG/HCCEG payments to all eligible staff/providers beginning on the first pay/payment after you receive your funding from us.</p> <p>Reminder: You must pay eligible staff/providers retroactively to January 1 for the actual hours/day worked in 2024 before you receive your payment.</p>
January 31, 2024	<p>2023 WEG/HCCEG Reporting and Reconciliation due.</p>

If you have questions, please email us at EarlyYearsSystemDivision@peelregion.ca.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment and dedication to supporting children and families in Peel.

Sincerely,
Early Years and Child Care Services Division