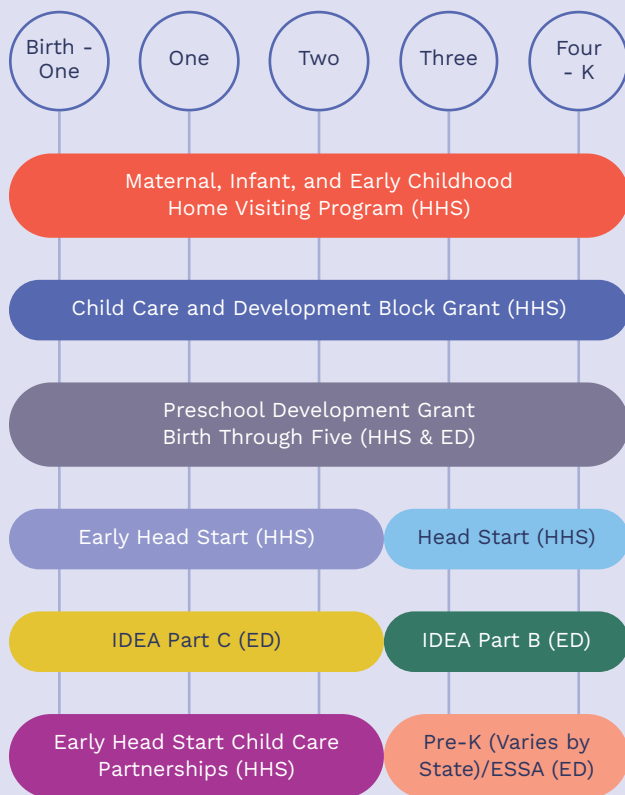


# ABCs of Federal Early Learning and Child Care Funding Streams



Every year, millions of children who range in age from birth through five benefit from an array of federal early learning and care programs. While there are different early learning settings and certain programs have distinct requirements, together they form a mixed-delivery system that strives to support the care, education, and healthy development of children, prioritizing children from low-income families, parental choice, and children's individual needs.

## Federally Funded Early Learning Support by Ages Served



## Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships (EHS-CCP)

### What It Does

Early Head Start grantees partner with child care providers—both home- and center-based—who serve children receiving child care subsidies to help them meet Head Start standards and provide comprehensive wrap-around services.

**32,905**

Number of Children Served in 2021<sup>1</sup>

**490**

Grants Awarded

## Head Start & Early Head Start

### What It Does

Funds public and private organizations and tribal entities to deliver comprehensive early learning, health, nutrition, and family support services to children birth through age five and pregnant women who are living in poverty.

### Who It Serves

Children from families with income below federal poverty guidelines (under \$27,750 for a family of 4); who are receiving TANF, SNAP, or supplemental security income (SSI); or who are experiencing homelessness; children in foster care; Early Head Start serves pregnant women and children birth through three, while Head Start serves children ages three through five.

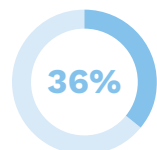
**\$11,996,820,000**

FY 2023 Funding (\$960 million above FY 2022)

### Head Start

**542,033**

Children Served Nationwide<sup>2</sup>

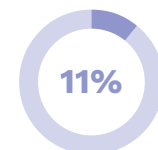


Eligible Served<sup>3</sup>

### Early Head Start

**209,558**

Children Served Nationwide<sup>4</sup>



Eligible Served<sup>5</sup>

## Child Care & Development Block Grant (CCDBG)

### What It Does

Funds states, territories, and tribal entities to develop and implement a subsidy program for low-income families with children under age 13 (the majority of children served are under 5; subsidies can be used for care of children ages 5-13 while they are not in school) and improve the quality of child care available.

### Who It Serves

Children from families with income below 85% of the state median income (85% of the U.S. median is \$80,527 for a family of 4<sup>6</sup>); additional state limits allowed.

**1,489,200**

Children Served Nationwide<sup>7</sup>

**14%**

Eligible Served<sup>8</sup>

**\$11,571,387,000**

FY 2023 Funding

- \$8,021,387,000 discretionary (\$1,856,057,000 above FY 2022)
- \$3,550,000,000 mandatory

## Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV)

### What It Does

Funds states, territories, and tribal entities to develop and implement evidence-based, voluntary home visiting services to families considered at-risk; home visitors meet with parents one on one from pregnancy through their child's kindergarten entry to help lay the foundation for the health, education, development, and economic self-sufficiency of the entire family.

### Who It Serves

Children from families living in "at-risk" communities as identified in a statewide needs assessment.

**\$600,000,000**

FY 2023 Funding (\$200 million above FY 2022)

**140,000**

Children Served Nationwide<sup>9</sup>

## Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

### What It Does

IDEA Part C provides early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities ages birth to 3 years; IDEA Part B, Sec. 619 provides special education and related services to children ages 3 through 5.

### Who It Serves

Children with a disability.

### IDEA Part C

**786,275**

Children Served Nationwide<sup>10</sup>

**\$540,000,000**

FY 2023 Funding (\$43,694,000 above FY 2022)

### IDEA Part B, Sec. 619

**502,391**

Children Served Nationwide<sup>11</sup>

**\$420,000,000**

FY 2023 Funding (\$10,451,000 above FY 2022)

## Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS)

### What It Does

Provides campus-based child care programs to college students, including before- and after-school services.

### Who It Serves

Low-income parents who are eligible for a Federal Pell grant.

**11,000**

Approximate Number of Parents Served<sup>12</sup>

**\$75,000,000**

FY 2023 Funding (\$10 million above FY 2022)

1. BPC, "Policy Recommendations to Grow EHS-CCP in States"

2. 2021 PIR National Snapshot Report - All Programs (hhs.gov)

3. 2022 EHS State Investments (nhsa.org)

4. 2021-2022 Children Total Cumulative Enrollment, Office of Head Start

5. 2021, NHSA 2022 EHS State Investments (nhsa.org)

6. FY 2019, Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

7. FY 2020, ACF

8. FY 2017, Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC)

## Preschool Development Grant Birth Through Five (PDG B-5)

### What It Does

Competitive grant program to help states strengthen early childhood systems for children from birth through age five. In the first year, funds state-level needs assessments and strategic planning with the goals of: maximizing parental choice, improving transitions within early care and learning programs and with elementary schools, and improving overall quality of programs.

### Who It Serves

All 56 states, territories, and commonwealths were eligible to apply for initial grants.

**52 jurisdictions**

Received 3-year implementation grants

**28 jurisdictions**

Received initial planning grants

**\$315,000,000**

FY 2023 Funding (\$25 million above FY 2022)

## Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

### What It Does

Awards block grants to states to design and operate programs that help low-income families achieve self-sufficiency, including child care, state preschool, and other early education programs.

### Who It Serves

Financially needy families with children; exact financial eligibility rules and benefit amounts are determined by states, which have discretion over program requirements.

**\$1,431,470,537**

FY 2021 Federal Expenditures<sup>13</sup>

## COVID-19 Relief Funding<sup>14</sup>

	CARES	CRRSA	ARPA	Total	
<b>CCDBG-Stabilization</b>	\$3.5B	\$10B	\$15B	\$24B	\$52.5B
<b>Head Start</b>	\$750M	\$250M	\$1B		\$2B
<b>MIECHV</b>			\$150M		\$150M
<b>IDEA Part C; Part B, Sec. 619</b>			\$250M	\$200M	\$450M

9. FY2020, Health Resources and Services Administration

10. U.S. Department of Education (ED)

11. ED

12. BPC; based on \$50 million funding

13. FY 2021 Early Care and Learning Expenditures, ACF

14. Congress provided relief funding to federal ECE programs through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act, and American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act.