



FAMILY COPAYMENTS FOR THE CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

What is a Copayment?

- A copayment is the amount families contribute to their child care costs in the Child Care Subsidy Program.
- VDOE establishes and periodically revises a sliding fee scale based on family size and income.
- Copayments are paid by parents directly to their child care provider each month.
- Copayments do not include charges above the maximum reimbursable rate, or charges for registration, activities, or transportation.

How Copayments Work:

- Monthly copayments start at \$0 for families below the poverty guidelines and increase gradually as family income rises.
- Copayments are set per child receiving child care assistance, up to 3 children. This means that if a family has 4 children participating in the Child Care Subsidy Program, copayments would only be owed for the youngest 3.
- Total family copayments for all enrolled children are capped at 7% of gross countable income for all families.

Table: Child Care Subsidy Program Per-Child Copayment Scale

<i>Income Threshold</i>	<i>Monthly Fee per Child</i>
0-100% FPG	\$0
101-200% FPG	\$60
201-300% FPG	\$120
301% FPG- 85% SMI	\$180