## Government of Saskatchewan supports regulation for home-based Child Care providers [1]

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The governments of Canada and Saskatchewan announced funding to reduce parent's out-of-pocket child care fees by about half on average; this grant will be retroactive to July 1, 2021.

Upon becoming regulated, child care providers will be eligible to receive grants to reduce parent fees for the families they serve, retroactive to the date of (receipt of the complete) application.

Regulated home-based child care providers operate child care services in a personal home under requirements that support the health, safety and well-being of children as well as every child's growth and development.

For those who operate out of their home, an initial fire inspection and regular heating inspections are required to ensure the environment is not only safe but welcoming for children.

Home-based providers who become regulated may also have access to grant money to help with start-up costs such as food, training and workshops, and assistance from educated child care consultants.

"I have been able to stay home and raise my daughter and have an interesting career at the same time," said Katherine Pulice, a regulated home-based child care provider.

"This is the most rewarding job I have ever had; every child in your care is unique. Every day is different, his is a job that is never, ever boring."

Unregulated providers who are interested in becoming regulated can complete an online Family Child Care Home Initial Licensing Information Session before they submit an application.

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