

Operators, families express concern on lack of \$10-a-day child care extension ^[1]

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Many families in Saskatchewan are feeling the pressures of rising costs and the continued uncertainty, and the government having yet to sign on for the federal \$10 day child care agreement is only increasing worry.

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At a press conference on Thursday, the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) and Child Care Now Saskatchewan expressed their criticism of the government and Premier Scott Moe's lack of decisive action.

Sue Delanoy, chapter chair for Child Care Now Saskatchewan, says Premier Moe states that he is working with the federal government in negotiations, but Delanoy says "there's nothing to negotiate."

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"(The Saskatchewan government is) waiting to see which (federal) government gets in and I'm worried if it's a Conservative government, they will skip the program. If it's a Liberal government, we know that it will go forward."

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Kent Peterson, CUPE Saskatchewan President said he is not surprised to see that our government has not signed into the agreement.

"It's not a coincidence that the last two premiers in this country to sign onto this child care framework extension agreement is Daniel Smith and Scott Moe. These are two ideological premiers who don't believe in publicly universal, accessible child care."

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Global News has reached out to the Government of Saskatchewan for direct response to the comments made by Peterson and Delanoy and did not receive response by the time of publishing.

However, in a press conference on Wednesday, Moe said he expects the government to sign on to the agreement soon but want to work out the details with the federal government first.

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