

Child care industry gets more funding [CA-YT] ^[1]

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Child care centres and family day homes are getting an additional \$230,000 in direct operating grant funding, Health and Social Services Minister Peter Jenkins announced Tuesday.

This money will support set-up spaces and wages for workers until the end of the fiscal year. It's in addition to \$230,000 of funding announced last April.

"This money will provide bridging support until we have a long-range policy in place," Jenkins said in a statement.

"This additional funding reaffirms this government's commitment to improving the wages of child care workers and to the overall goal of improving access to quality, affordable child care services in the territory."

Jenkins also created a working group on child care earlier this year.

Its purpose is to develop a four-year plan. The group represents various stakeholders from the child care field who have been working diligently on this effort.

The working group is expected to submit its recommendations by the end of November.

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