

<p>FSET Program Operation Guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Food Stamp applicants/recipients participating in an FSET activity approved by the district must be provided support services determined to be reasonable and necessary for participation. ➤ Districts may provide dependent care reimbursements for up to 90 days to FSET eligible individuals who secured employment <u>only after receiving other employment/training services through the FSET program offered by the district.</u> ➤ Individuals must begin employment within 90 days of completion of the FSET activity. ➤ FSET dependent care funds may be used to support eligible child care costs incurred for dependents under the age of 13. FSET funds may also be used to support eligible dependent care costs for a child with special needs or under court supervision who is under 18 years of age or under 19 years of age and a full-time student in a secondary school or in an equivalent level vocational or technical training. ➤ A participant may not be reimbursed for dependent care services beyond that which is required to participate in the FSET program. 	<p>CCBG Program Operation Guidelines</p> <p>Child care applicants/recipients actively seeking employment for a period of up to 6 months as established by the district in its Child and Family Services Plan, if the applicant/recipients documents that he or she is currently registered w/ NYS DOL, provided that the child care services will be available only for the portion of the day the family is able to document is directly related to the parent or caretaker seeking employment.</p> <p>Local districts are given the option to select other eligible families and provide services for these families as long as they have funds available and they have selected these options in their Child and Families Services Plan. These optional categories do not fall under the child care guarantee and are not required by the state to provide child care services as long as the district has funds available.</p> <p>Local social services districts must verify the applicants'/recipients' employment status, family size, residence, and gross annual income among other factors to see that a family is eligible for a child care subsidy.</p>
<p>FSET Eligibility Standards</p> <p>Eligible Individuals – applicants and recipients of Food Stamps that are <u>participating in an approved FSET activity including:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals in receipt of Safety Net Maintenance of Effort (SN MOE) • Individuals in receipt of Safety Net Non- Maintenance of Effort (SN Non-MOE) • Non-Temporary Assistance Individuals (NTA) <p>Ineligible Individuals – the following individuals/participants are not eligible for FSET dependent care reimbursement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individuals in receipt of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families cash assistance (TANF-case types 11 and 12). • Sanctioned Individuals - individuals sanctioned for failure to comply with an FSET assignment are not eligible (as no longer a recipient). 	<p>CCBG Eligibility Standards</p> <p>Eligible families include the following three categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Guaranteed child care:</u> For children under age 13 in TA families participating in a required activity, families who are transitioning off of TA; and families who choose to receive child care in-lieu of TA. 2. <u>Families eligible when funds are available:</u> TA applicant/recipient w/ an eligible child 13 or older who has special needs or is under court supervision to allow the parent to participate in required activities or work; teen parent who needs child care to attend High School or equivalency program; a child needs to be protected because parent/caretaker is physically or mentally incapacitated or has family duties away from home necessitating his or her absence; and a parent or caretaker who is at risk of becoming dependant on public assistance to be engaged in work. 3. <u>Families that are eligible if funds are available and if the social services district selected this option in its Child and Family Services plan for the following reasons:</u> attendance at substance abuse treatment programs; homelessness; TA family participating in an activity in addition to their required activity; TA family when child care services are necessary for a sanctioned parent or caretaker relative to participate in unsubsidized employment; in an emergency situation of short duration; family with

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An FSET participant is not eligible for dependent care reimbursement if another member of the food stamp household provides the dependent care. • Individuals who are employed when applying for Food Stamps. • Individuals who get a job without participating in another FSET activity. • Individuals who would not otherwise be eligible for CCBG funded care. 	<p>income up to 200% of poverty is seeking employment or participating in educational or vocational activities; a family with an open child protective case when it is determined that child care is needed to protect the child; and a family with income up to 200% of poverty where a child needs to be protected because parent/caretaker is physically or mentally incapacitated or has family duties away from home necessitating his or her absence.</p> <p>Ineligible Families --</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employed families with income above 200% of poverty. • Families that do not fall under the child care guarantee and when a district does not have sufficient funds to pay for child care.
<p>FSET Allowable Activities</p> <p>Job Search Job Readiness Training Job Skills Training Education Work Experience Subsidized Employment Unsubsidized Employment – dependent care reimbursement may be provided for up to 90 days to individuals who become employed <u>after participating in another approved FSET activity</u> and the employment began within 90 days of completion of the FSET activity Community Service Vocational Education – including up to 2 years of post secondary education</p> <p>Each district’s Biennial Employment Plan indicates which activities are available locally.</p>	<p>CCBG Allowable Activities</p> <p>Job search Unsubsidized Employment Education PA family participating in a district approved activity PA family where a sanctioned parent is participating in unsubsidized employment, earning wages at a level equal to or greater than the minimum amount under law PA family participating in an approved activity in addition to their required activity.</p>