About Us
Child and Youth Programs (CYP) provide high quality child care programs and services that support eligible families. Child Care Programs, available for children six weeks through 12 years of age, include Child Development Centers, School Age Care and Family Child Care which offer full day and part time child care and in some locations hourly child care. Youth Programs, serving children ages 6 to 18, are offered at many installation locations. All programs are designed to enrich your child’s social, emotional, cognitive and physical growth and development. CYP Professionals work in partnership with parents to meet each individual child’s needs in a safe, healthy and nurturing environment. A Parent Board is established within CYP to allow families the opportunity to meet and discuss the program and coordinate parent participation.

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**Child Development Centers (CDC)**

Child Care Services that support the needs for eligible children ages six weeks through five years. Program components include full day, part-day and hourly care services. CDCs are designed to meet the individual developmental needs of eligible children by offering quality child care.

- All CDCs use the DoD approved curriculum designed to support individualized planning for children while guiding their learning as meaningful and purposeful experiences. This research-based curriculum approach fosters early brain development and school readiness thus providing continuity for military families adapting to frequent moves between installations.

- CDCs are DoD certified, nationally accredited and meet the highest quality of early childhood program standards and criteria.

- Each CDC supports parent involvement and works to ensure the inclusion of all children.

**School Age Care (SAC)**

SAC offers organized and supervised recreational, educational, and social activities for children ages 6 - 12 or those attending Kindergarten through Sixth grade.

- SAC programs complement, rather than duplicate, the school day. Emphasis is placed on programs that meet community needs, reinforce family values, and promote individual and group activities that develop the social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development of children.

- SAC programs also offer summer camps and out of school care.

- SAC programs are DoD certified, nationally accredited and meet the highest quality of early childhood program standards and criteria.

- Each SAC supports parent involvement and works to ensure the inclusion of all children.

**Family Child Care (FCC)**

FCC providers offer high quality developmentally appropriate care to children ages 6 weeks to 12 years of age in a small group setting. FCC providers are trained and certified by the installation command to meet policy as well as health and safety standards. As independent business owners, FCC providers have the flexibility to determine their own business hours as well as the type of care they provide such as infant only. FCC programs are DoD certified and meet the highest quality of early childhood program standards and criteria.

**Off Base Child Care Fee Assistance**

This program provides support to eligible Marines in paying for community based child care services. The program is designed to assist eligible Marine families who live outside of a 15 mile radius to a Marine Corps installation with a Child Development Program.

[https://usa.childcareaware.org/fee-assistanceespit/military-families/marines](https://usa.childcareaware.org/fee-assistanceespit/military-families/marines)

**Youth Programs**

Supports the development of lifelong skills for youth and offer recreation activities, computer labs, social and life skill development opportunities. Families residing off base may be eligible to receive paid memberships to local Boys and Girls Clubs of America by contacting their local community clubs. Youth Programs are DoD certified and meet the highest quality of standards and criteria.