

IN HOME CARE NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

AHCA / IHC Campaign Key Messaging for Families

- In Home Care (IHC) is for families who cannot access standard childcare, including shift workers, regional and remote families and children with complex needs or safety risks.
- Recent wage increases for educators are important and deserved, but without changes to the funding model, IHC risks becoming unaffordable for families and unsustainable for services.
- Even with the Child Care Subsidy (CCS), many families are paying higher out-of-pocket costs because the subsidy does not cover the true cost of delivering care in the home.
- Families who qualify for IHC should not pay more simply because their circumstances are more complex.
- Many eligible families are being priced out of care they have been formally assessed as needing.
- If IHC becomes inaccessible, children will miss out on early learning and safe, approved care at a critical stage of development.
- Protecting children requires both strong safety standards and affordable access to quality education and care.
- Families and educators should not have to bear the cost of systemic underfunding to the In Home Care program.
- Urgent affordability reform is needed so educators are paid fairly, services can remain open, and families can continue to access the care they are eligible for.