



CHILDCARE RESOURCES

Thank you for your inquiry regarding childcare in the area. The WorkLife Office initiatives, programs, and services have been realigned under the Health Promotion, Engagement, Accessibility, and Accommodation Pillar as part of the University Health & Wellbeing division. Below are recommended resources for seeking childcare in your area:

GREAT START TO QUALITY WEBSITE

GSTQ website is a trusted search engine for childcare in Michigan. It provides a summary list of the childcare options in your area, such as the child care center names, locations, contact information, ages served, hours of operation, and a link directly to their Child Care License Report through LARA. It also rates the centers based on a quality level scale. Once you enter the website, click on “Find Programs” to search for childcare providers in your area.

KENNEDY CARE

Safe at Home is a division of Kennedy Care, a leader in home health care based out of Ann Arbor, MI. Kennedy Care: Safe at Home can serve MSU faculty and staff around the state of Michigan. Kennedy Care provides passionate caregivers assisting with important everyday tasks to keep clients safe in their homes. Back-up childcare is available for children ages six weeks to thirteen years old who are both healthy and mildly ill. Back-up elder care is available for seniors. The Kennedy Care team is devoted to delivering excellent client experiences and is available 24/7, across the state of Michigan.

- Phone: 800-790-7233, call 24 hours a day. Please reserve care at least four hours in advance.
- Website: www.kennedycare.com/safeathome (childcare) or Kennedy Care (eldercare)
- Pre-registration required: [Childcare form](#), [Eldercare form](#). Complete it and send to sah@kennedycare.com or visit the website here: <https://safeathomechildcare.com/services/backup-child-care/> for childcare.
- Ages served: 6 weeks to 13 years old, seniors (various ages accepted for at-home care)
- Serves well and mildly ill children and dependent elders
- Hours of Operation: flexible
- Facility: Services provided in your family’s home.
- Cost/MSU Subsidy: Staff and faculty pay \$7.00 per hour for a home aide or in-home childcare provider; students pay a discounted rate of \$3.00 per hour for a home aide or childcare provider



KENNEDY CARE (CONTINUED)

Additional details of service:

- Advanced notice: The more advanced notice provided to Kennedy Care (weeks to months), the more likely service can be arranged. Based on demand, on-call staff cannot be guaranteed.
- Cancellation - A service cancellation should be made 24 hours prior to the service. All cancellations must be emailed to sah@kennedycare.com. A subsidized charge equivalent to 4 hours of care (4 hours are also subtracted from your subsidized hour bank) will be assessed for cancellations made less than 24 hours in advance. Details at www.kennedycare.com/safeathome
- MSU families are eligible for up to 40 hours of subsidized dependent care per dependent, per family. Hours beyond the 40 hours of subsidized care will be charged at the full Kennedy Care hourly rate for service at the expense of the user of the services.
- Location limitations may apply to service, although Kennedy Care and Kennedy Care: Safe At Home have care providers all over the state. To inquire whether you live in a coverage area, contact Kennedy Care at sah@kennedycare.com or 800-790-7233.