

Contacting your Members of Congress on Child Care Funding

It's a tough time this fall as Congress tries to both create jobs to strengthen the economy and reduce the federal budget deficit. You can help make sure that your Members of Congress know that child care funding is important to the parents in your state.

Calling your Members of Congress:

1. [Use NACCRRRA's Action Center to look up the phone numbers for your Members of Congress](#) and call either their Washington, D.C. or district office.

2. Please identify yourself (My name is (name) and I'm calling from (city, state)).

Then say:

- "I'm calling to urge Senator/Representative _____ to support maintaining funding for child care.
- Working parents need child care. Parents can't work or look for work without it.
- If Congress truly wants to help strengthen the economy, then now is not the time to cut child care funding. Child care keeps Americans working.
- Again, I urge the Senator's/Representative's support for maintaining child care funding."

3. Thank the person taking your call for their time and let them you know you are looking forward to hearing from the Senator/Representative regarding his or her position on child care funding.

Talking Points on Child Care Funding:

- Millions of America's working families depend on child care assistance in order to work or look for work.
- I know Congress has tough choices to make, but cuts in child care funding will only hurt working families who are already struggling.
- If Congress truly wants to put people back to work, then now is not the time to cut child care funding. Child care keeps Americans working.
- Please oppose any cuts in child care funding. Working families are counting on you.