

Client Notice

Changes to the municipal supplement to the child home care allowance from May 2019

The Helsinki supplement for children over the age of two will be discontinued from 1 May 2019.

Granting the child home care allowance

Child home care allowance can be granted when a child under 3 years of age is looked after at home. In addition to this, siblings being looked after at home may be eligible for a sibling supplement, which is 102.17 eur/month for children under the age of three and 65.05 eur/month for children over the age of three.

Child home care allowance consists of the following:

- statutory care allowance (338.34 eur/month)
- care supplement, which is affected by the family's total income (181.07 eur/month) and
- municipal supplement paid by the municipality (the Helsinki supplement).

The amount of the municipal supplement depends on the ages of the children

- The municipal supplement for the youngest child under the age of 18 months is 264 eur/month.
- The municipal supplement for a child between the ages of 18 months and two years is 218.64 eur/month.
- **CHANGE:** The municipal supplement for children over the age of two years (134.55 eur/month) will be discontinued from 1 May 2019.

Applying for the allowance

You can apply for child home care allowance and the municipal supplement from Kela, either electronically or by completing the form WH1.

Instructions for applying for the allowance www.kela.fi/web/en/child-home-care-allowance

You can also find more information on the allowance at www.hel.fi/kasvatuksen-ja-koulutuksen-toimiala/en

Applying for placement in early childhood education and care

You can read more about early childhood education and apply for placement electronically at www.hel.fi/kasvatuksen-ja-koulutuksen-toimiala/en > [Early childhood education](#)