

Question: Why is it so difficult to get our children into the childcare facility on post? My kids have been on the waiting list since I was one month pregnant. That was over a year ago and they're 7 months old now and still no one is able to tell me anything. I call every month to confirm I still want care. They told me not to count on getting my children in before they're at least 1. This is crazy especially since childcare is so expensive and hard to obtain off post as well. How many infant slots are there? Who gets these slots?

Answer: The child development center has 3 infant/pre-toddler rooms.

Each room holds up to 18 children age 6 weeks to 18 months - 4 infants age 6 wks-12 months and 5 pre-toddlers age 12 m-18 m can be cared for on each side of a room. The room is divided in half and is designed to accommodate 9 on each side for a total of 18.

Once an infant begins in the room the transition to a toddler room will occur after the child turns 18 months.

Priority Levels:

Priority Level 1: Single/Dual Working Military and DoD Civilians and Army Wounded Warriors (AW2) Soldiers

Priority Level 2: Dual Working Military and DoD Civilians (With Non-DoD Working Spouse) and Eligible DoD Contractors assigned to the Garrison

Priority Level 3: Local Determination

Due to the baby boom of 2007 on Fort Wainwright has a large infant population. The CDC is filling the spaces as quickly as they can.

Family Child Care homes are available in addition to the CDC.

For more information call 361-7372.