

**PETITION TO MAINTAIN THE PROVINCIAL WAGE ENHANCEMENT GRANT FOR REGISTERED
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS AND CHILD CARE WORKERS IN LICENSED CHILD CARE**

To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario:

WHEREAS the Provincial Wage Enhancement Grant provides \$2 per hour in wage support to many Registered Early Childhood Educators and child care workers in licensed child care;

WHEREAS the Provincial Wage Enhancement Grant supports staff recruitment and retention in licensed child care, increases income security among Registered Early Childhood Educators and child care workers, and begins to recognize their contributions to Ontario communities;

WHEREAS the Provincial Wage Enhancement Grant helps close the gender wage gap;

WHEREAS the Provincial Wage Enhancement Grant helps keep parents' child care fees from rising;

WE THE UNDERSIGNED petition the Legislative Assembly of Ontario as follows: maintain the \$2 per hour Provincial Wage Enhancement Grant for Registered Early Childhood Educators and child care workers in licensed child care.

Name (Printed)	Full address and POSTAL CODE	Signature

Please send completed petitions to: **Ontario Coalition for Better Child Care, 489 College Street, Suite 206, Toronto, Ontario, M6G 1A5**

Please send by: **February 14th, 2019**