



CAPS HAS MOVED!



The CAPS eligibility process has moved from the Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) to Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL)!

The transfer of CAPS administration from DFCS to DECAL does NOT mean a change in financial supports from the CAPS program.

WHAT DOES THE MOVE MEAN FOR YOU?

Before The Move: If you were participating in CAPS, you worked with a DFCS Case Manager to submit documents, make changes to your certificate, and reapply for services at the end of your eligibility period.

Now: You Will Have A...

SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATION SPECIALIST (SAS) & FAMILY SUPPORT CONSULTANT (FSC).

Your assigned Scholarship Administration Specialist (SAS) will be based in Atlanta and will:



- Serve as your **first point of contact**
- **Guide** you through the application process and **advise** you on selecting high quality child care
- Answer questions and direct you to **other state services**

After you submit your application or renewal, your SAS will contact you to complete the application process.

Your assigned Family Support Consultant (FSC) will be based in your area and will:



- **Support** you throughout your eligibility period
- **Assist** you with any case changes
- **Guide you to** resources available to you
- **Recommend** child care providers as needed
- **Inform you** when it's time to renew your application

Once your application has been approved, your FSC will contact you to introduce you to CAPS services and answer questions.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR CAPS MOVING FORWARD?

- Access Georgia Gateway online (Gateway.ga.gov) to submit your new application or recertification.
- Even though CAPS staff will not be located in local DFCS offices, you can use the Georgia Gateway kiosk located in your local DFCS office to submit an online application or to upload documents.

For more information, visit www.caps.dec.al.ga.gov or call the program directly at:

1-833-4GA-CAPS.