



Updated  
eligibility  
to apply

**Childcare subsidy  
for infants  
if you're a  
young scientist  
pilot project –  
apply now!**

**Successful  
research at  
Max Planck –  
also with  
a baby**

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It's up to you

# Children and career under one roof

## **Family and career**

Want to spend as much time with your baby as possible while continuing to pursue your scientific career?

Combining the two is only possible if you have excellent childcare tailored to your own professional and family situation. But childcare like that is expensive.

## **Subsidy for care for infants**

A new subsidy from the Max Planck Society comes into play here: from July 2017, we will be helping young scientists finance childcare for their children aged between three and thirty-six months maximum. The pilot project will run until 30 June 2019.

## **Apply now!**

Submit your applications to your Institute Administration as quickly as possible and inform your colleagues about it, too. This flyer tells you more about the eligibility criteria for this subsidy.



## Act quickly

# Who is eligible for the subsidy?

### **Doctoral students and postdocs**

Do you work at a Max Planck Institute?  
Is your child still under the age of three years?

Eligible are:

- ✓ Young scientists  
(postdocs with TVöD contract)
- ✓ Doctoral students  
with an MPG support contract

### **Both parents working**

The deciding factor is whether both parents  
work a certain minimum amount of hours.

The following variants apply:

- ✓ Both parents each work at least 25 hours  
a week.
- ✓ One parent works at least 19.5 hours a week  
and the other works at least 30 hours a week.
- ✓ Work must have been taken up by both  
parents by the end of the child's fourteenth  
month of life at the latest and must continue  
during the entire subsidy period under the  
above-mentioned conditions.

### **Exceptions**

If only one parent works, please give reasons  
why the other parent can't look after the child.

### **Single parents**

Single parents are eligible for the subsidy  
if they work at least 19.5 hours a week.

Simple and flexible

# Choose your childcare – we'll reimburse 50 % of the costs

- Childcare types** Which childcare option best suits your professional and family situation? It's up to you: the subsidy is payable for crèches, as well as childminders or babysitters who officially bill for their services.
- What we cover** We will reimburse 50 % of the childcare costs, up to a maximum of EUR 400 a month. Within the framework of the pilot project, a subsidy can be granted between your child's third and thirty-sixth month of life.
- Application** Please contact your Institute Administration for the application form and more information. Please provide details of the childcare option you are planning on using, how much this costs and how many hours both parents work. If only one parent works, please give reasons why the other parent can't look after the child.
- Payment** If your application is successful, the Institute will pay the subsidy monthly in advance in return for submission of the corresponding cost receipts.

**Important!** You are not automatically entitled to the subsidy, even if you meet all the formal criteria. The funds for the pilot project are limited.





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