



Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning

We've Improved CAPS Eligibility Requirements.

- Effective May 30, 2018, the maximum income limit for the **families with very low income priority group** was expanded to 100% of the federal poverty guidelines. This means that families with income at or below the poverty guidelines (\$25,100 for a family of four) meet priority status for CAPS if other eligibility requirements are met.

Previously, the maximum income limit for the families with very low income priority group was 50% of the federal poverty guidelines (\$12,300 for a family of four).

- Effective March 26, 2018, the maximum income limit at **annual redetermination** was increased to 85% of the state median income. This means that if families continue to meet other eligibility requirements, they remain eligible for CAPS unless their income exceeds 85% of the state median income (\$60,060 for a family of four).

Previously, the maximum income limit at annual redetermination was 50% of the state median income (\$35,330 for a family of four).