

Submission Comments:

I am a working mother, my partner works full time and I work 4 days per week to be able to meet the high cost of living. Our son is in long day care 4 days per week and we have no family support to help with minding him on working days.

I feel the Childcare Rebate system favours mothers who work part time 2-3 days per week. Once you work 4-5 days per week, the CCR is exhausted 6-8 months into the year, leaving you paying \$460 to \$575 per week for childcare and struggling financially.

I think the CCR should be increased to cover 50% of childcare for costs for the full year, this would encourage mothers to be able to work 4-5 days per week without struggling financially and increase opportunities in the work place.

I also think additional childcare centres are required and an official funded nanny scheme should be put in place for mothers who cannot access childcare facilities.