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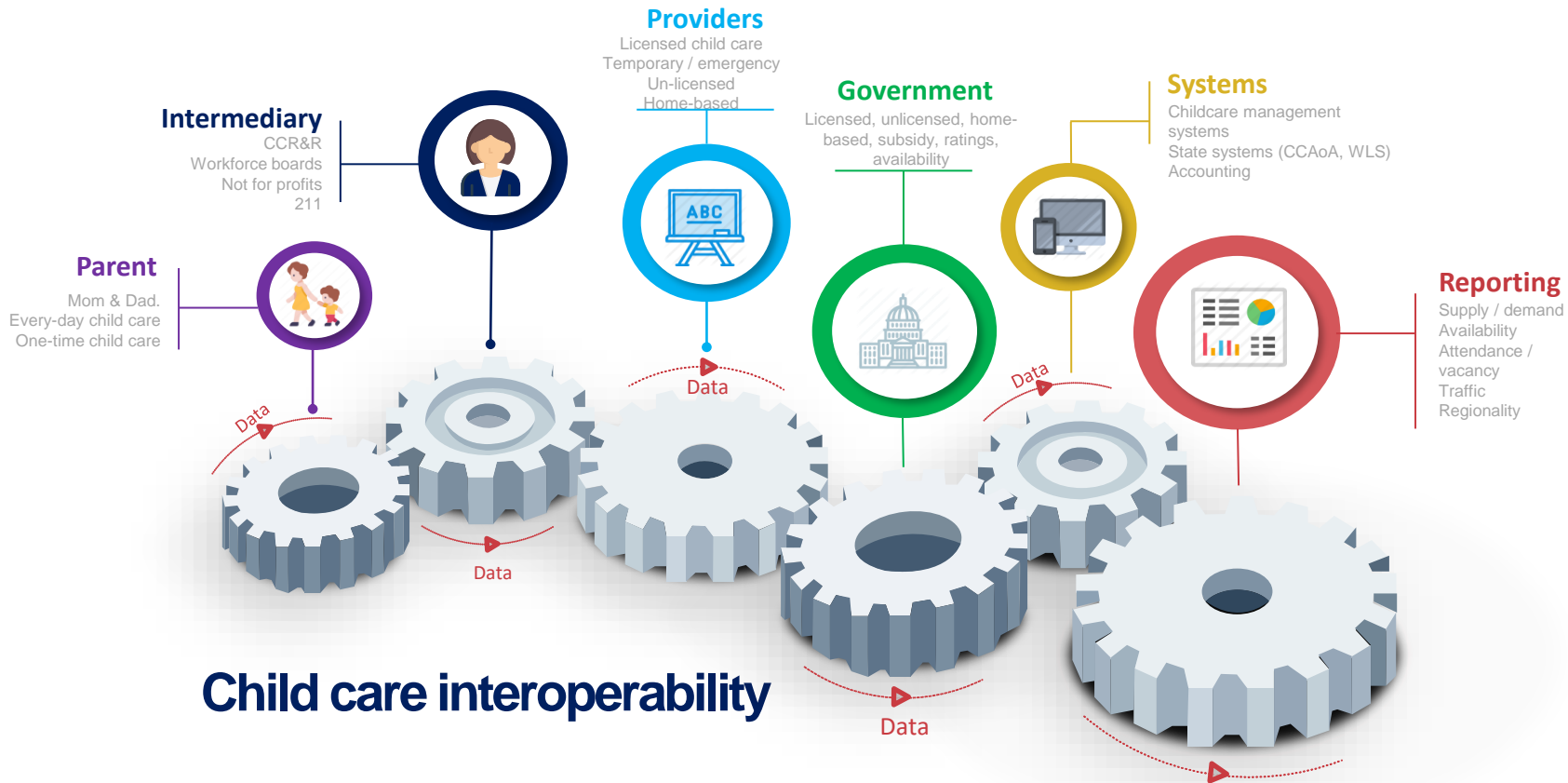
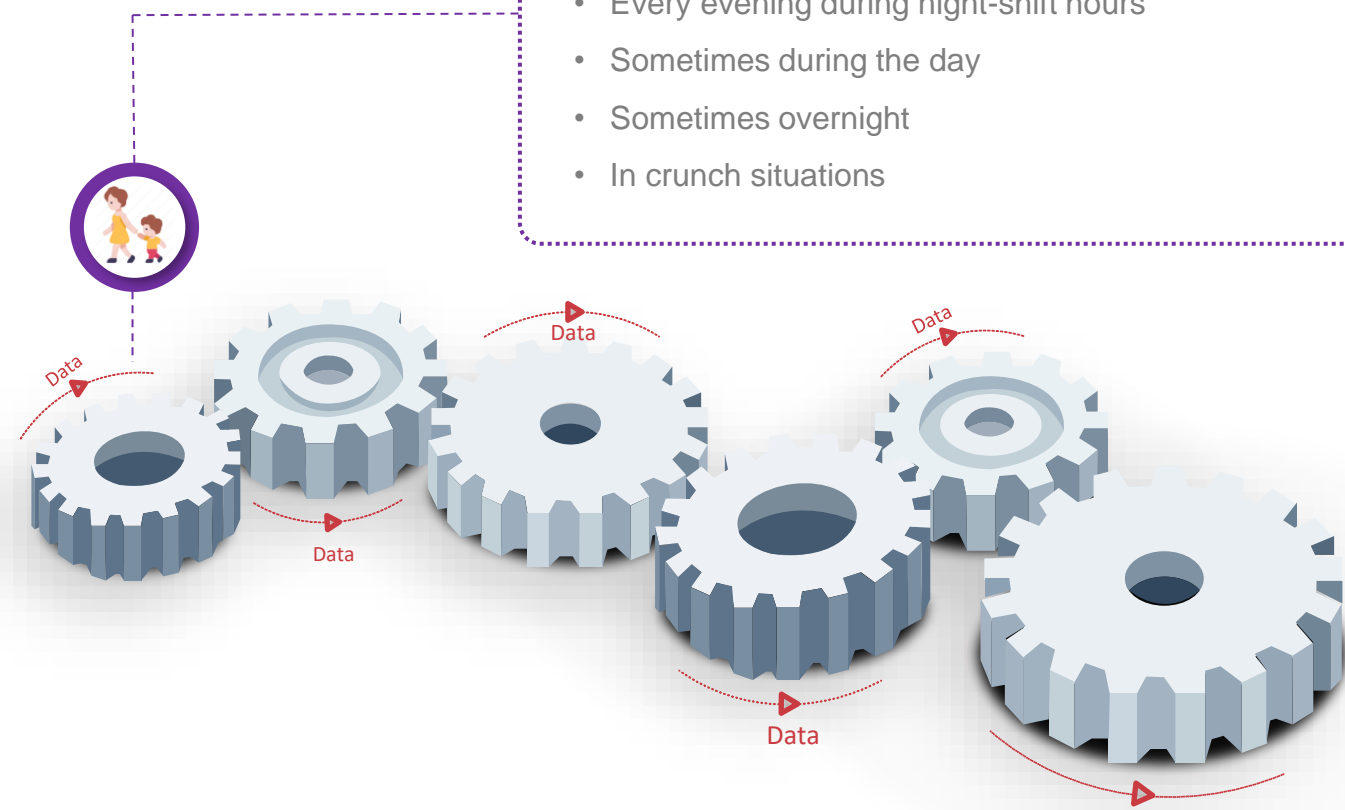Albert Einstien

Texas Child Care Availability Portal

Intermediary
CCR&R
Workforce boards
Not for profits
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Parent
Mom & Dad.
Every-day child care
One-time child care

Providers
Licensed child care
Temporary / emergency
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Home-based

Government
Licensed, unlicensed, home-based, subsidy, ratings, availability

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Reporting
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Availability
Attendance / vacancy
Traffic
Regionality

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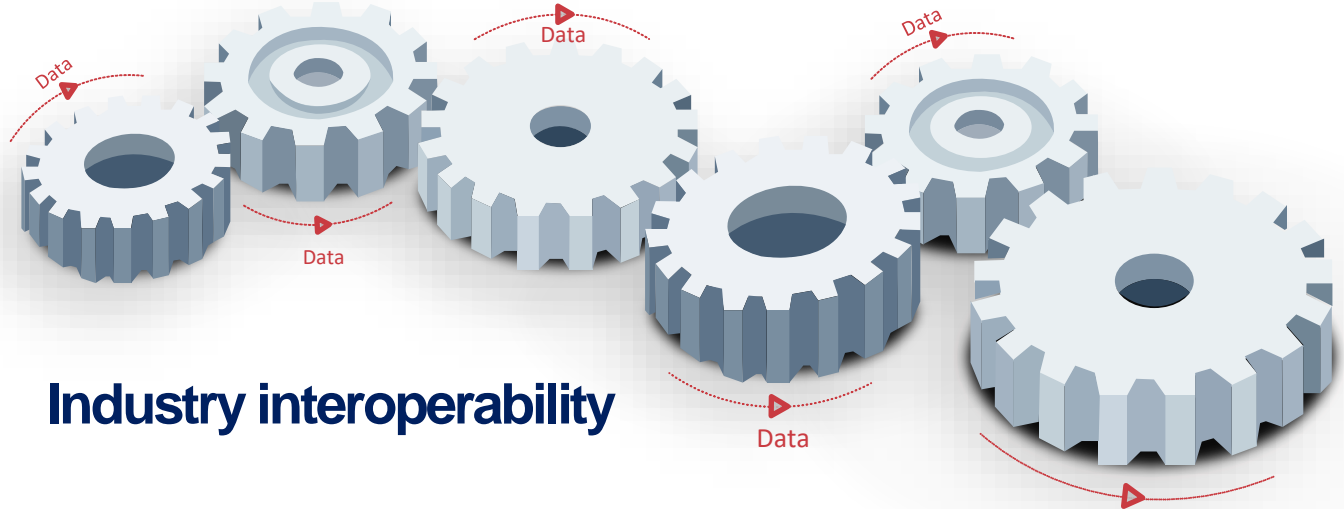Data

Child care interoperability

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Parent

I just need help to care for my children:

- Every day during working hours

- Every evening during night-shift hours

- Sometimes during the day

- Sometimes overnight
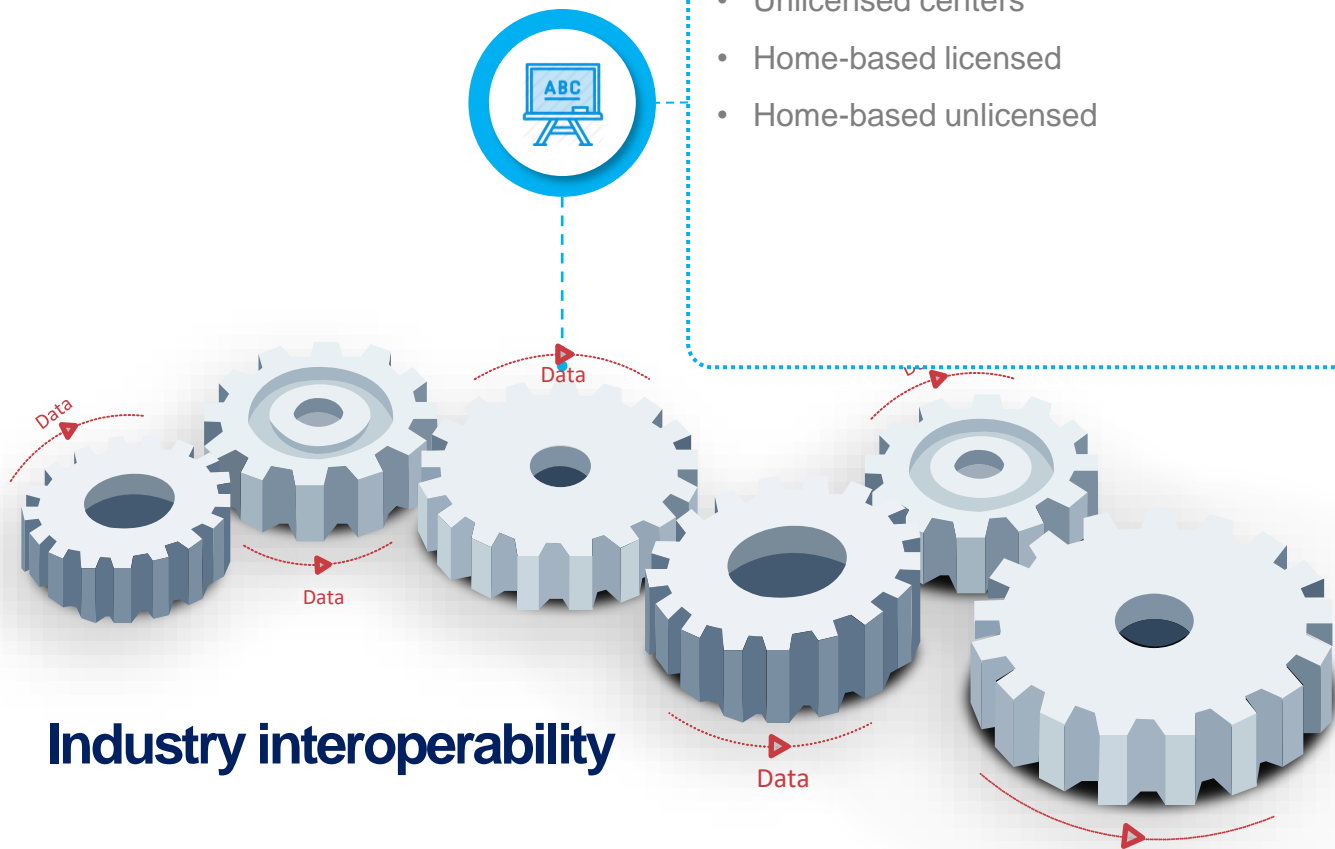
- In crunch situations

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Intermediary:

- CCR&Rs
- 211
- Not-for-profits
- Others

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Industry interoperability

Provider

- Licensed centers
- Unlicensed centers
- Home-based licensed
- Home-based unlicensed

Data

Data

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Industry interoperability

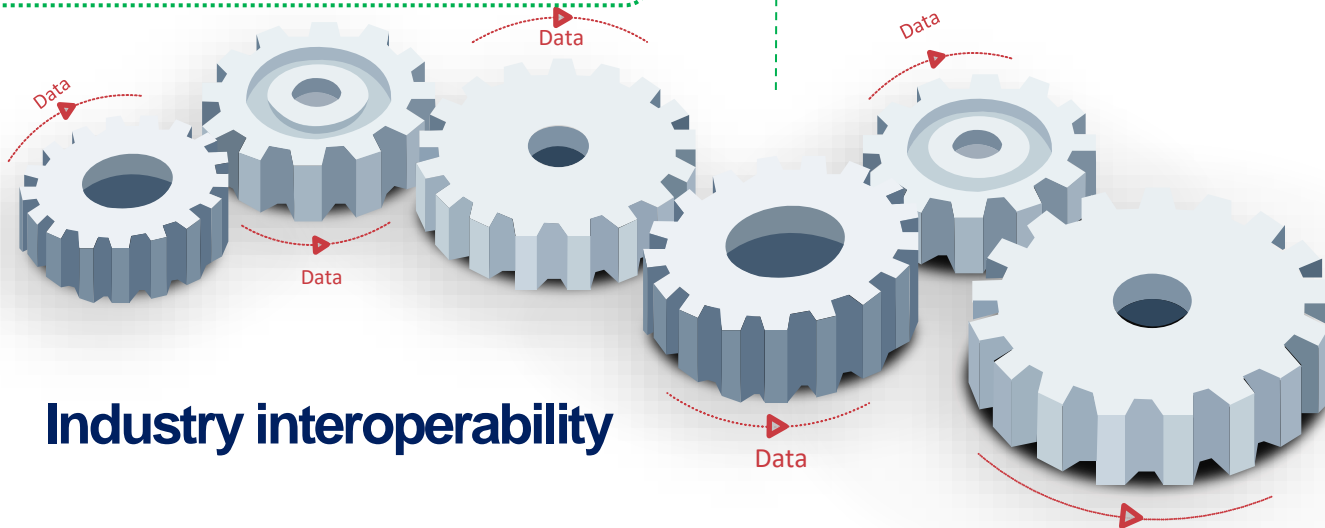**Government**

1. State
   - Health & Human Services
   - Workforce boards
   - Department of Agriculture
   - Department of Education
2. Federal
   - Health & Human Services -> Administration of Children & Families

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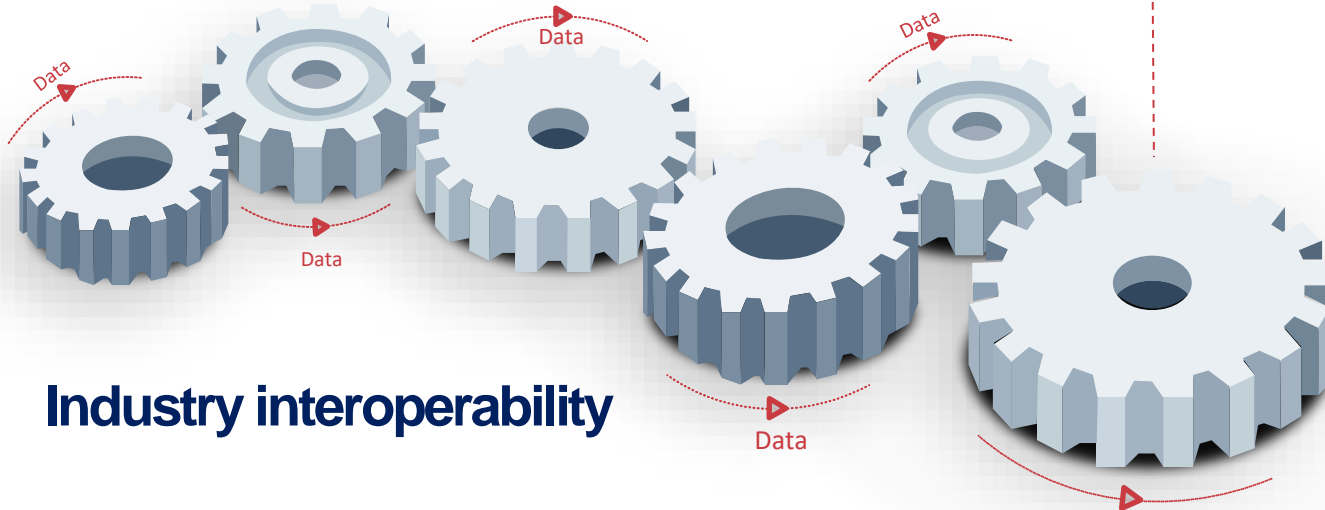**Industry interoperability**

Systems

- **Government**: HHS, Education, Agriculture, Workforce, etc.

- **Parents**: CCR&R, 'find-childcare.com sites, provider sites, etc.

- **Providers**: Child Care Management Systems such as ProCare, SmartCare, EZCare, Brightwheel, etc.

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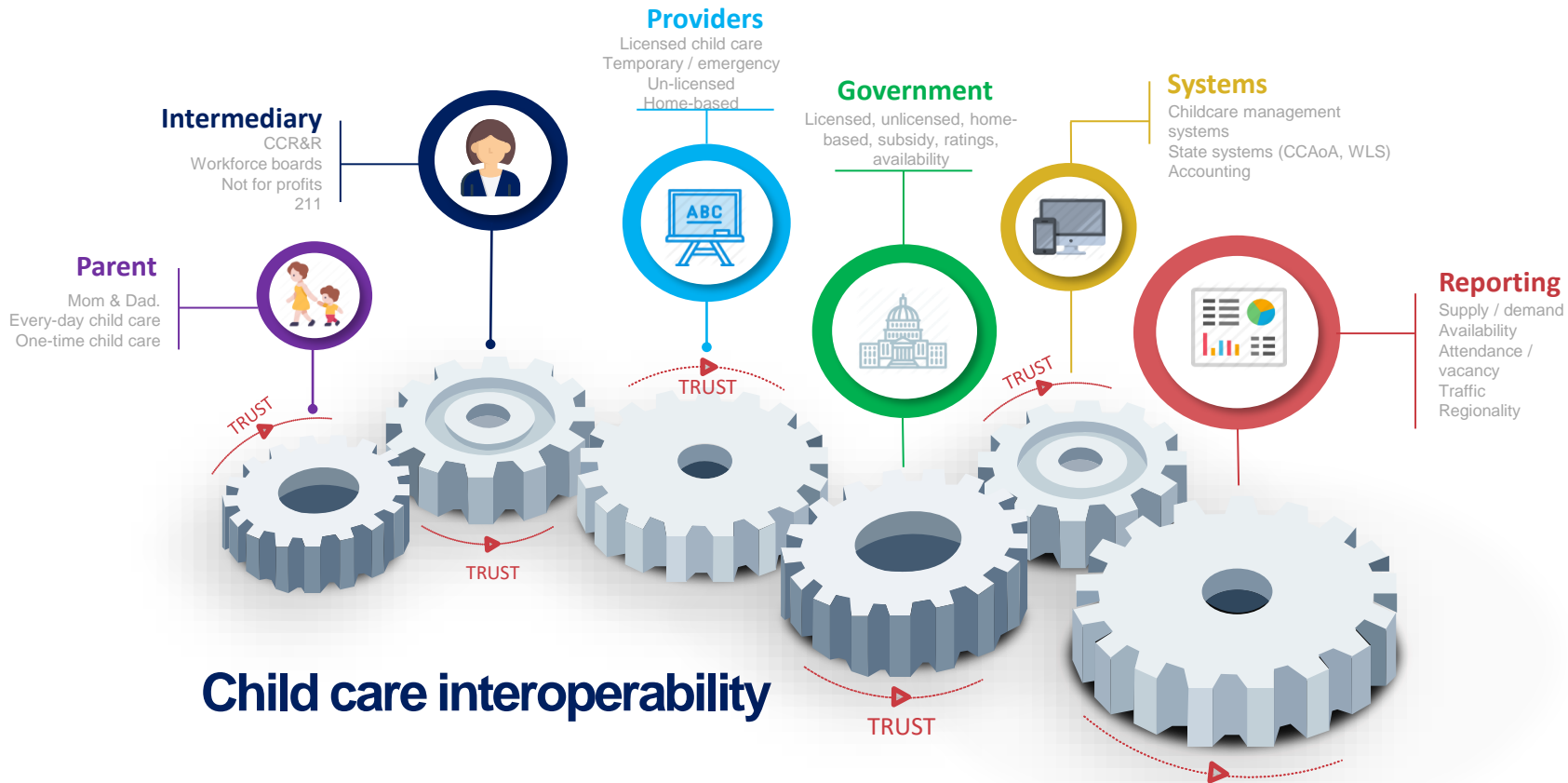**Industry interoperability**

Reporting

- Availability - Supply & demand

- Enrolment - Attendance / utilization

- Sustainability & profitability - revenue per child enough to cover expenses

- Full fee collection – payers, non-payers, subsidies, etc.

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Child care interoperability

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Child Care in Texas

◆ Child Care Regulation (HHSC) – licensing

◆ Texas Workforce Commission – subsidy and QRIS

- 28 local workforce boards
- Local workforce boards sometimes have contractors that work with the providers and do quality support

Availability Portal

◆ Live on April 1 in response to COVID-19 crisis

◆ An effort of the Governor's Frontline Child Care Task Force

◆ Transitioned from "Frontline" in September

◆ URL: https://find.frontlinechildcare.texas.gov/

Brighton Center

14207 Higgins Rd, SAN ANTONIO, 78217

Visit Website   **Call 2108264492**

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Licenses & accreditation	Texas Rising Star: ★ ★ ★ ★ (4 out of 4)
	License # 832593
	View certificates and inspection reports ▸
Availability	✔ Spots available for toddler
	Capacity: 170
Ages served	Infant
	Toddler
	Preschool
	School age
Financial programs	⊘ This child care provider accepts financial aid
Hours of operation	Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Contact information	2108264492
	hr@brightonsa.org
	http://www.brightonsa.org

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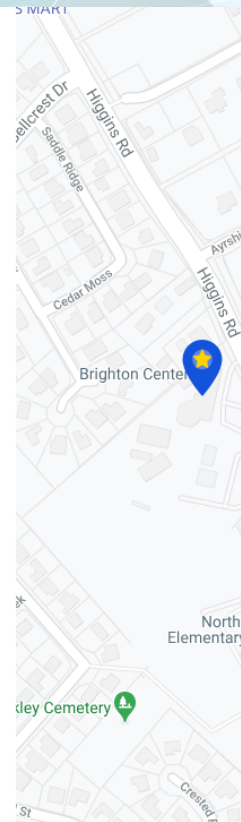
Public's Access

◆ Statewide data

◆ CSV file

◆ All availability by age for each child care program

◆ With county and other info helpful to conducting local analyses

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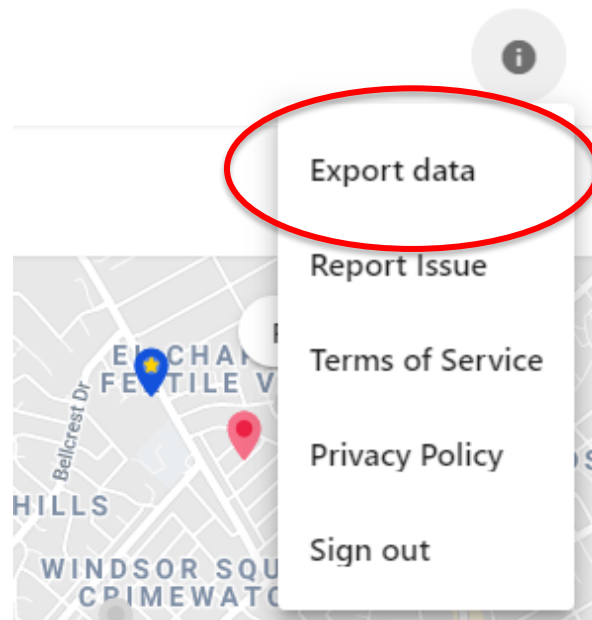
Provider Availability and Attendance

Step 1

Texas Child Care Availability Portal

Email associated with your Child Care Licensing Online Account 🔗

Enter email

Full License Number (Include dashes and spaces if applicable) ❓

Enter License Number

Submit

If you are unable to login, please email us at
MSC@hhsc.state.tx.us

Step 2

To update your availability, first select the center and the date you wish to update. Then click the "Update Availability" button.

To update your profile, first select the center and click the "Update Profile" button.

Select Center ⬍

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Update Availablity

Update Profile

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Provider Availability and Attendance

Step 3

If your data has not changed since the last time you updated, please click the "Submit" button to confirm your data.

Infant (0 to 17 months old)

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Toddler (18 months old to 3 years old)

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Preschool (3 years old to 5 years old)

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School Age (5 years old to 13 years old)

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When looking at your attendance for last week, what was the average number of children that attended each day? *For example, if you had between 50 and 60 kids attend your program each day, you would answer 55.*
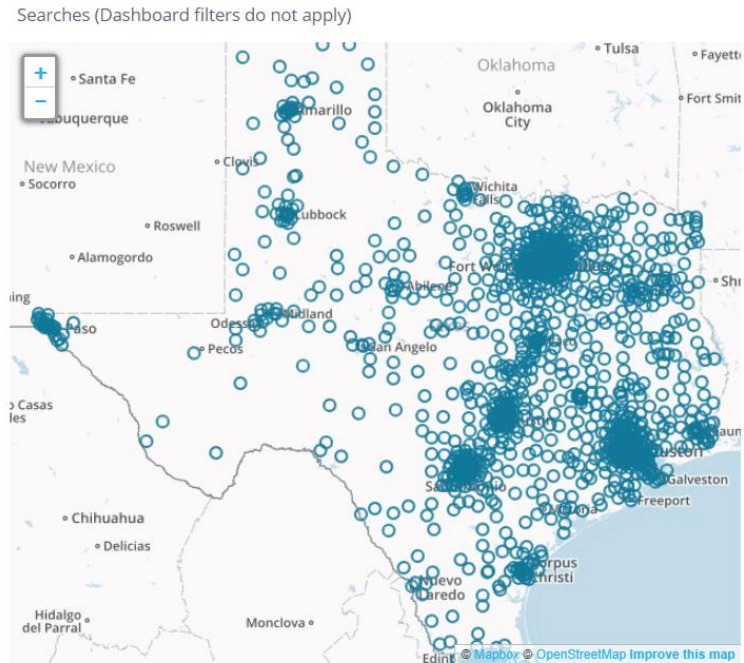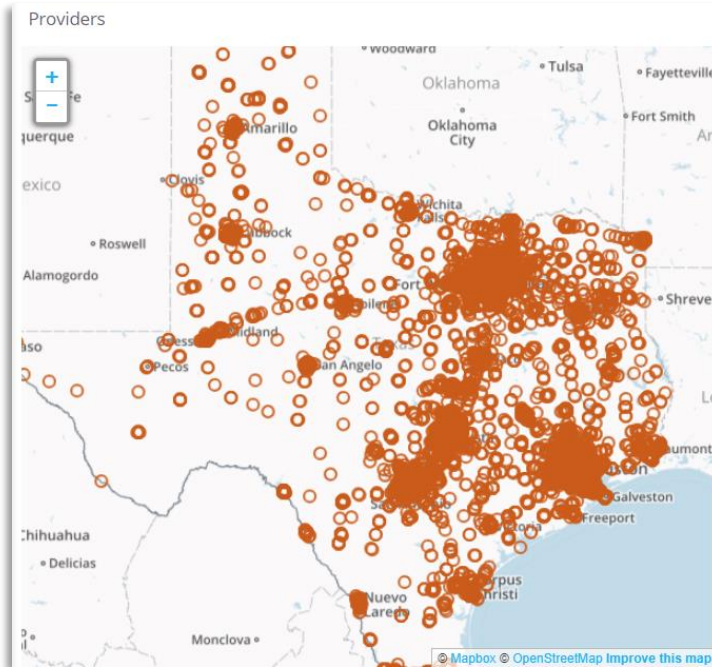
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Submit   Back

Dashboard

Supply and Demand

Providers

Searches (Dashboard filters do not apply)

Data Used for the Portal

◆ Public child care licensing data (operation ID, address, hours of operation, age groups served)

◆ Availability and attendance from providers

◆ QRIS and subsidy status from TWC

Where to Start

1. Figure out who is your audience and what do you want to tell them

2. Determine where this information already exists

3. Begin conversations with other agencies

4. See where everyone might agree and use it as a starting point

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