

Cribs for Kids® Program Oswego County

Referral & Eligibility Guidelines

1. Eligibility criteria to receive portable cribs (Pack n Plays):
 - a. The family in need of a crib must reside in Oswego County.
 - b. The family must have **no other means** of providing a safe sleeping environment for the infant.
 - c. The parent/caregiver must be served by a partner agency.
 - d. The infant needing the crib must be less than one year of age AND weigh less than 25 pounds.
2. The crib should be distributed close to the baby's due date (max 30 days before) or as soon as possible when a high-risk situation is identified.
3. Each Parent/Caregiver will receive safe sleep education from a home visiting case worker, OPTIONS Community Health Worker, or Public Health Nurse. The safe sleep education will preferably be provided in the home and include a demonstration of portable crib set-up. If in-person education is not possible, education may be provided over the phone or virtually, and clients should be given handouts and links to video resources provided by REACH CNY via another method. If the referral comes from a partner organization that does not have home visitors, REACH CNY staff or partner agency staff will contact the parent/caregiver to determine eligibility and deliver safe sleep education.
4. All client information will be held completely confidential by REACH CNY and used only for planning, education and programs to reduce risks to infants.
5. Portable cribs may not always be available due to limited funding.
6. To request a crib please email attached referral to cribsforkids@reachcny.org or fax to REACH CNY at (315) 424-0190. Please contact Amanda Barbera at (315) 802-1467 or Liz Crockett at (315) 424-0009 ext. 112.