



South Dublin County Childcare Committee – News Bulletin w/ending 31st March 2019

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[National Childcare Scheme \(NCS\) - Training Information Sessions - Phase 1](#)

Following the launch of the new National Childcare Scheme, South Dublin CCC has arranged a number of information sessions for providers in the month of April to help be informed about the new schemes introduction. These sessions will provide you with an overview of the new scheme, including how the scheme will work for providers and

parents, changes to existing processes and provide some early compliance and rules of the scheme.

Early learning and care providers can book a place(s) through the below Eventbrite link where a total 10 sessions have been scheduled. Attendance of one session is only necessary. One place is available per private service and two are available per community service. Please book early to secure your desired date.

PLEASE CLICK HERE à <https://www.eventbrite.ie/o/south-dublin-county-childcare-committee-19427422632>

You will need to enter your DCYA reference number when booking a place. If you do not have a DCYA number, please enter the following:

New or Potential Childcare Provider: **Newuser1**
Childminder: **Newuser1-Childminder**

If you need any assistance with booking your place, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01 457 0122, or emailing info@southdublinchildcare.ie

If you would like further information on the National Childcare Scheme please click [here](#)



[Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Training for April](#)

Due to the over subscription of our currently advertised Equality Diversity & Inclusion Training we are releasing another workshop – EDI 63

As EDI 61 & EDI 62 booked out so quickly we would advise that you email your applications as soon as possible.

This 15 hour workshop delivered over 4 sessions has been developed around the Charter and Guidelines and is for providers and practitioners who are working in Early Years Services.

Priority may be given to services who have yet to attend this training.

Participants must attend all 4 sessions/15 hours in order to receive a certificate.

Sessions are arranged by block dates and attendees cannot choose between or alternate the sessions.

Maximum booking of 2 people per service.

[About This Training](#)

The Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Charter and Guidelines for Early Childhood Care and Education are intended to support and guide all those working in the early childhood care and education sector to explore, understand and develop inclusive practices for the benefit of all children and their families.

Topics included in the Equality and Diversity training:

- Terminology
- Stages of discrimination
- Anti-bias goals
- Legislation
- Reviewing the Early Years environment
- Challenging discrimination

EDI Code	Date	Time	Venue
EDI 63	Sat 6 th Apr	9.00am to 3.30pm	Louis Fitzgerald
EDI 63	Tue 9 th Apr	6.00pm to 9.00pm	Louis Fitzgerald
EDI 63	Tue 16 th Apr	6.00pm to 9.00pm	Louis Fitzgerald
EDI 63	Tue 23 rd Apr	6.00pm to 9.00pm	Louis Fitzgerald

If you are interested and would like to attend this valuable training please complete the relevant booking form attached and return to training@southdublinchildcare.ie



[The National Childcare Scheme](#)

The National Childcare Scheme is a landmark new Scheme for Ireland.

It is the first ever statutory entitlement to financial support for childcare. It establishes an equitable and progressive system of universal and income-related subsidies for children up to the age of 15. It also provides an innovative and user-friendly online application process to access those subsidies.

Through all of the above, the National Childcare Scheme aims to improve children's outcomes, support lifelong learning, make work pay, reduce child poverty and tangibly reduce the cost of quality childcare for thousands of families across Ireland.

Please click the link below to access the new website, we have also attached information on the National Childcare Scheme plus a copy of the providers booklet which you should have either already received or will be receiving in the coming days.

<https://ncs.gov.ie/>

Download Booklets below



Early Years E-Bulletin - March 2019

DCYA Early years Division have issued their latest E-Bulletin for March 2019.

In this months edition there are the following articles

Please click the link below to download

<https://southdublinchildcare.ie/index.php/useful-links/childcare-documents/160-dcya-ebulletin-march2019/file>



[Childcare Programme Support Payments worth over €19m confirmed by Minister Zappone](#)

Childcare Programme Support Payments worth over €19m confirmed by Minister Zappone

- ✓ Application window 13th May – 21st June 2019
- ✓ Payments to issue end June

The Minister for Children and Youth Affairs, Dr. Katherine Zappone T.D., announced details of the forthcoming Programme Support Payment (PSP), due to be made available to all early learning and care providers this summer.

Over €19m will be made available to early learning and care services under the measure from June 2019.

The payment will be calculated as equal to 7 days' (1.4 weeks') registrations for ECCE at Standard Capitation, and 14 days' (2.8 weeks') registrations for CCS(P) and TEC.

The application window for PSP will open for six weeks from Monday 13 May to Friday

21 June 2019 and the application form can be accessed through the Programmes Implementation Platform (PIP).

Payments will issue the following week.

The Programme Support Payment recognises the additional time required of providers of DCYA-funded early learning and care and school age childcare programmes, to complete the administrative work associated with the scheme. The payment also recognises the time required to perform activities outside of contact time with children, such as preparing materials for early learning and care sessions and assisting parents in understanding how they might benefit from the various childcare schemes supported by the State.

Making the announcement Minister Zappone said:

“For children, parents and providers 2019 is a hugely significant year with the launch of the National Childcare Scheme. As the countdown to October continues it is important that providers are supported to ensure that the biggest change ever undertaken in early learning and childcare becomes a reality. This investment, part of the 117% jump in Government funding since 2015, will help us build a scheme which will serve families in Ireland for generations to come. We have come a long way – and we must never go back!”

As previously announced by the Minister, there will be a further “Transitional Support Payment” of €2m associated with the National Childcare Scheme, in addition to the Programme Support Payment, later in 2019. Further details in relation to this additional €2m will follow shortly.

NB: Please note that the application window closing date (Friday 21 June 2019) is final, and that no applications for PSP will be admitted beyond this point under any circumstances.

