

South Dublin CCC – Weekly News Bulletin *(for weekending 9th June 2019)*



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**An Roinn Leanaí
agus Gnóthaí Óige**
Department of Children
and Youth Affairs

Programme Readiness 2019/20 (from PIP Portal)

The re-contracting process with the Department of Children and Youth Affairs (DCYA) childcare funding programmes 2019/20 will begin on Monday 10th June, 2019.

The process this year will be similar to previous years, where each service provider must certify the 2019/20 PAU, Organisation details and Service details in order to activate any contracts.

This year the following Programme Readiness features will be available from 10th June

- PAU Certification
- Organisation Details Certification
- Service Details Certification
- Re-contracting for ECCE, CCSP, TEC
- National Childcare Scheme (NCS) contracting
- Fees List
- Service Calendars
- NCS Transition Support Payment (NCS TSP)
- NCS Capital

Information for ECCE and Targeted Childcare Programmes

The existing targeted childcare funding programmes (other than CCS) will continue until the commencement of NCS , and thereafter in a limited way. The DCYA have issued the

Rules for DCYA Targeted Childcare Programmes , which outlines the rules for the legacy childcare schemes – Community Childcare Subvention Plus (CCSP) and Training and Employment Childcare (TEC) programmes. Transition DCYA Targeted Childcare Programmes rules are available [here](#)

Please note that the Community Childcare Subvention Programme (CCS) will terminate at the end of the 2018/19 programme call.

ECCE is a standalone programme and will not be affected by the introduction of NCS. DCYA rules for the ECCE programme are available [here](#)

2019/20 Contracts for the existing DCYA funded childcare programmes will be available very shortly on the DCYA website

National Childcare Scheme (NCS)

To allow Service Providers to sign-up for the National Childcare Scheme in advance of the commencement of the Scheme, the NCS contracts will be available on PIP for activation until the NCS commencement in October 2019 (after which all contracting and related activities will take place on the new Early Years Platform). The NCS contract can be found at this [link](#), and a set of explanatory notes to the contract is available [here](#).

Both the NCS Transition Support Payment (TSP) application and the NCS Capital application will be available to all Service Providers who enter into contract on the National Childcare Scheme (NCS) for the 2019/20 programme call.

Only the PAU will have permission to submit these application forms. Only one application for the TSP and one application for the capital grant can be submitted in respect of a service. The application forms can only be submitted when the National Childcare Scheme contract has been activated.

NCS TSP

The application window for NCS TSP will open for 14 weeks from **Monday June 10th to Friday September 13th**

Payments will be calculated and issued from October 2019.

NCS Capital Grant Scheme

The application window for NCS Capital will open for 18 weeks from **Monday June 10th to Friday October 11th**

Payments will be issued on a weekly basis from October 2019.

For more information please refer to the Capital Grant Scheme guidelines which are available at this [link](#).



PIP Maintenance (from PIP Portal)

Please be aware that necessary maintenance to their IT systems on June 8th and June 9th means that Service Providers will not be able to submit new child registrations on PIP.

They apologise for any inconvenience caused.



A **limited** number of places have become available for the final year of the **#LINC** Programme starting in [September](#) 2019. This round of applications will close today at 4pm. More here: <https://buff.ly/2F308dF>
