



9th April 2020

Dear provider,

I will be concluding a series of meetings regarding the Wage Subsidy Childcare Scheme tomorrow morning.

I will then ask officials to finalise and publish a Funding Agreement on the basis of whatever is agreed. DCYA and Pobal staff will work through the weekend to make the necessary arrangements so that you can receive funding under the Funding Agreement on April 17th.

To facilitate payment on April 17th, we will need Funding Agreements returned by Tuesday 14th close of business.

I am fully aware of the difficulties, anxieties, and frustration that delays in establishing this scheme have caused for you. I am sorry for this delay which we worked extremely hard to avoid.

With hope that you are safe and well.

Dr. Katherine Zappone
Minister for Children and Youth Affairs