

Weekly Bulletin – This Week in Childcare: 21st - 25th October 2024

DEADLINES / IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday 13th November

QIPP template will become available

29th November 2024

Deadline to apply for the Fee Increase Assessment

Monday 16th December 2024

QIPP to be completed

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Quality & Inclusive Practice Plan (QIPP)

Guidance for completing the Core Funding Quality & Inclusive Practice Plan (previously referred to as the QAP) are available under the Quality and Inclusive Practice Plan (QIPP) heading on the [Core Funding documents](#) page of the Early Years Hive [here](#). The guidance is available in both English and Irish.

If you require support with your Quality and Inclusive Practice Planning process, please contact catherine@kerrycountychildcare.com



Fee Increase Assessment and Approval Process

To submit an expression of interest or discuss the Fee Increase Assessment and Approval Process, please contact pamela@kerrycountychildcare.com. Please note the deadline for applying is 29th November 2024.

Minimum Number Exemption

There must be a minimum daily enrolment of 8 eligible children in ECCE preschool room sessions. If your ECCE preschool room session does not comply with this requirement, you may apply for a minimum number exemption through the CCC under the criteria set out in the application form. The ECCE rules along with the minimum number exemption application form can be found [here](#)

Funding may be withheld where the minimum numbers are not met, and an application has not been submitted for an exemption to this rule.



Critical Incident Training/ Information

Guidance on planning and responding to critical incidents in ELC and SAC services has recently been developed on behalf of the DCEDIY by the Critical Incident Working Group working with Barnardos. The purpose of the guide is to support ELC and SAC services to **think about** and **plan for** critical incidents and to have **practical supports** in place should it be necessary to respond to a critical incident. These guidance documents and other useful resources are available at the following link: [Guidance on Critical Incidents](#).

Please note; The Critical Incident Training on the 6/11/2024 is now **full**. Kerry County Childcare Committee will be rolling out more Critical Incident training in the New Year.

Pre-Registration Training for Childminders

This training will support participants to understand the new childminding regulations and will provide all the information required to register with Tusla. This is a FREE training course and takes approximately 7 hours to complete. For further information please contact amy@kerrycountychildcare.com.



PRE-REGISTRATION TRAINING FOR CHILDMINDERS



Information on:

- Being a childminder
- Understanding new childminding regulations
- Documents required for Tusla registration

TRAINING DATES

11TH OF NOVEMBER - ONLINE
7-9PM (SESSION ONE)

16TH OF NOVEMBER
9.30AM - 3PM (SESSION TWO & THREE)
VENUE - KERRY COUNTY CHILDCARE OFFICE

THIS TRAINING IS FREE AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

Contact: Amy
0877885114
Email
amy@kerrycountychildcare.com

Childminding Registration

Tusla have continued to expand the resources and support documentation available on their Childminding webpages and have published a Video [Guide to Registration application](#)

You can find the video and a range of additional information on [//tusla.ie/early-years-inspectorate/childminding-services](https://tusla.ie/early-years-inspectorate/childminding-services).

To contact Tusla's childminding helpline ring (061) 440600 (option 9) or email cm.registration@tusla.ie or view their [Frequently Asked Questions](#) section on the website.

Video clips available on TG4 website

Ba bhreá liom ard a chuir ar na gearrthóga atá ar fáil ar TG4 maoinithe ag An Roinn Leanaí, Míchumais, Lánpháirtíochta agus Óige.

<https://foghlaim.tg4.ie/ceacht/6362837384112>

We would like to draw your attention to the video clips funded by DCEDIY that are now available at the following link: <https://foghlaim.tg4.ie/ceacht/6362837384112>

Kerry County Childcare Committee Website and Facebook Page

We invite you to visit our website [here](#) and like and follow our Facebook page [here](#) for lots of updates and relevant information.

Covid Case Advice

Please see below links to relevant information:

[Preventing the spread of covid 19 in school or childcare - HSE](#)

[Management of Infectious Disease in Childcare Facilities and Other Childcare Settings \(2012\)](#)

General Covid-19 queries: Contact HSE on 1800 700 700 between 8 am and 8 pm Monday to Friday and 9 am - 5 pm Saturday and Sunday / [HSE Covid 19](#)