

Weekly Bulletin – This Week in Childcare: 28th Oct – 1st Nov 2024

DEADLINES / IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 1st November

Core Funding Review and Confirm window opens

Wednesday 13th November

QIPP template will become available

29th November 2024

Deadline to apply for the Fee Increase Assessment

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Core Funding Review and Confirm 1st - 14th November 2024

Partner Services can complete their Review and Confirm with two options available:

Review and Confirm with Changes or Review and Confirm without Changes

Before completing the Review and Confirm, Partner Services should:

- Ensure your Service Profile is accurate and up to date for the 2024/2025 programme year.
- Ensure your Core Funding Application is at status 'Approved'.

Core Funding supports and training materials can be found on Hive under the [Help and Support](#) section of the Early Years Hive.



Quality & Inclusive Practice Plan (QIPP)

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



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.

Please note the following updates regarding AIM Plus and Non-term applications



Applications for AIM Plus and AIM Non-term must be submitted for a minimum of 1 hour per day the child is attending the service.

All applications submitted by close of business on Friday 25 October will be eligible for backdating of funding. For applications submitted from 26 October onwards, once approved, funding will commence from the latest date of the following: Monday following approval, the date AIM plus or AIM non-term support commences (employment of additional employee) or the date the NCS confirmed claim commences.

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. These guidance documents and other useful resources are available at the following link: [Guidance on Critical Incidents](#)

Kerry County Childcare Committee will be rolling out more Critical Incident training in the New Year.

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>

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
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Childminding Registration

Tusla have continued to expand the resources and support documentation available on their Childminding webpages [//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.

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](#)
