

Weekly Bulletin – This Week in Childcare: 11th - 15th August 2025

Dear Colleagues

These are the deadlines, information, and announcements for the week of 11th – 15th August 2025.

DEADLINES / IMPORTANT DATES:

01st – 31st August 2025 Core Funding Review & Confirm

30th September 2025 QIPP Report final deadline

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ECCE Fee Table



As per ECCE Programme Rule 3.1 – Fee Table Requirement:

"The ECCE Fee Table must be reflected on a weekly basis over the ECCE programme year i.e. over the 38 weeks of the programme, as well as details of any additional childcare hours, optional extra(s) (as approved by the local CCC), or any discounts applied by the ECCE Approved Provider." For further support please contact Pamela: pamela@kerrycountychildcare.com / 066 7181582

Reminder: Activate NCS 2025 agreement

The new National Childcare Scheme (NCS) programme year opens on 18 August

2025. To ensure continued participation in the scheme, 2025/2026 funding
agreements must be activated before the current year's agreement ends on 17 August 2025.

The funding agreement is available on the All Programme Applications page. A guide to activating an NCS funding agreement is in the Help & Support section of the Early Years Hive HERE.

Failure to submit this funding agreement may result in a loss of funding, funding cannot be backdated. For further support please contact Pamela: pamela@kerrycountychildcare.com / 066
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CCSP

Registration for the 2025/26 CCSP Saver Programme are now open.



Core Funding August Review & Confirm

To ensure your Core Funding payments can commence at the start of the programme year, you are required to submit the August Review & Confirm for 2025/2026 before August 31st.



Your base rate will be capped at the approved August Review & Confirm base rate value. It is vital that you review the grant values on the Summary Funding page and make sure all information is accurate <u>before</u> you submit the August Review & Confirm. More details are available in the Announcement section of HIVE. Contact Pamela for further support:

pamela@kerrycountychildcare.com / 066 7181582

Staff Funding Additional Contribution

This new funding allocation will be released if and when the new Employment Regulation Orders (ERO) are agreed or on 1 September 2025, whichever is later. In preparation for this, Partner Services are asked to have the application information up to date for the 2025/26 Core Funding programme year and ensure the most recent Core Funding application is at an 'Approved' Status. Further details will be released when the new EROs are agreed.

QIPP Report Template 2024/2025

The final deadline for completing the QIPP end of year report is Tuesday 30th

September 2025. Services who have not yet submitted their report can so do so

via www.cfcrrs.ie. A guidance video is available here. Contact Rachel for further support:

rachel@kerrycountychildcare.com / 066 7181582

Updated Garda Vetting

Services are reminded to check the expiration date of their Garda Vetting as soon as possible to allow time to apply for updated vetting prior to submission of TUSLA Registration Renewal applications. Out of date vetting will not be accepted. The Vetting process can take up to 2 months to complete which may affect registration renewal applications.



Tusla



Change in Circumstance & Cessation

The new Change in Circumstance and Cessations forms are now available on the Tusla website. Please see links below:

Childminding: New CIC page:

https://www.tusla.ie/early-years-inspectorate/childminding-services/change-incircumstances-cessations/

Preschool: EYI Tusla webpage:

https://www.tusla.ie/services/preschool-services/early-years-providers/change-incircumstance/

School Age: Tusla webpage:

https://www.tusla.ie/services/family-community-support/school-age-services/i-am-a-school-age-provider/change-in-circumstance-cessations/

Registration Renewal



All Early Years Services are required to renew registration every three years. The registration date can be found on the current Tusla certificate or checked on the Early Years Register or the School Age Register. Please note the following key points:

- Applications must be submitted no later than 2 months before your current certification expires.
- Reregistration can be completed up to 6 months in advance of your expiry date.
- The process requires submission of in-date Garda Vetting for the Registered Provider and the
 Person in Charge (if different). Current timelines for vetting should be considered.

Failure to reregister in time will result in your removal from the register, and it is an offence to operate an unregistered service. Additional information on re-registration can be found <a href="https://example.com/here.com/h



More Precious Than Gold

Childcare Services are being given the opportunity to raise funds for Childhood Cancer Ireland during September, which is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Please see flyer below and attached



New Aistear Poster for Early Learning & Care Settings!

We're excited to announce a new poster designed especially for Early Learning & Care settings on *Aistear: the Early Childhood Curriculum Framework*. The poster is available for collection in our office in Tralee. Please contact the Kerry CCC office on 066 7181582 to organise a pick up time.



Kerry County Childcare Committee Website and Facebook Page

Website Jobs Board - Local Jobs Board for Kerry



If you would like to place an advert on our Jobs Board please email kathryn@kerrycountychildcare.com.

We invite you to visit our website <u>here</u> and like and follow our Facebook page <u>here</u> for lots of updates and relevant information.

Kind Regards,

Kerry County Childcare Committee