



# WELCOME

These are the deadlines, important dates, and announcements  
and new resources

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## FCCC

provides various helpful resources for services  
and parents on our website at  
<https://fingalcountychildcare.ie/>

We continue to post up to date training, events  
& news

[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/FINGALCOUNTY  
CHILDCARE/](https://www.facebook.com/fingalcountychildcare/)

Remember to Like, comment and share our page to be  
updated with relevant information



## DEADLINES

### NOW AVAILABLE

[Programme Readiness for ECCE, NCS, and CCSP Saver Programme 2024/2025](#)

[POBAL Compliance Team unannounced summer visits](#)

[CORE FUNDING FOR THE PROGRAMME YEAR 2024 / 2025 HAS BEEN ADDED](#)

### 28TH JULY 2024

Deadline for submission of your Core Funding QAP Report 2023/2024

### 22ND JULY AT 5.30PM

[AIM Online Information Session for Providers and Practitioners](#)

### 24TH JULY 2024 AT 10.30AM

[AIM Online Information Sessions for Parents](#)

### 16TH, 18TH, 21ST SEPTEMBER 2024

DEI Training

### 19TH AUGUST 2024

ECCE 2024 Programme Call will commence on Monday 19 August 2024; [guidance to register](#)

### 5TH AUGUST 2024

CCSP Saver Programme will open on Monday 5 August 2024; [guidance to register](#)

### 19TH AUGUST 2024

NCS 2024 Programme Call will commence on Monday 19 August 2024, [guidance to register](#)



## IMPORTANT DATES

**DEI Training**

PROFESSOR QUALITY  
IN  
RESILIENCE  
AND  
EDUCATION

[Link to Register](#)

**Dates and Times**  
September 2024  
Monday 16th - 4 - 9pm  
Wednesday 18th - 4 - 9pm  
Saturday 21st - 9 - 12pm

**Location**  
Fingal County Childcare  
Digital Office Centre  
BALSHARP INDUSTRIAL PARK  
BALSHARP ROAD  
SPAROS  
CO DUBLIN  
D18 E8K0

**Topics Covered**

- Terminology
- Stages of discrimination
- Anti-bias guide
- Legislation
- Reviewing the Early Years environment
- Challenging discrimination

Appendix 2 of your FCCC contract states: **AIM 4.4.1**  
The Registered Provider will engage with the FCCC and participate in the Charities, Equality and Inclusion Charter and Guidelines training. On completion of the training, the Registered provider must sign up to a national Inclusion Charter and create their own Early Childhood Care and Education National Inclusion Policy.

Please note Participants must attend all 3 sessions (18 hours to receive a certificate). Participants will receive a €25 resource pack for each session on completion.

AIM FINGAL COUNTY CHILDCARE COMMITTEE

## NOTES FROM FCCC



### EXTENSION OF AIM TO SUPPORT ADDITIONAL HOURS FOR ECCE AGED CHILDREN

Minister O’Gorman announces plans for €14m boost for children with a disability under the Access and Inclusion Model (AIM).



### FINGAL CCC NEW NETWORK GROUP (COMMUNITY OF PROFESSIONALS)

This group creates a support to each other and share ideas. The vision is down the line to hand it over to the network group. We have set up a WhatsApp group and plan to meet again in March. [karen@fingalcountychildcare.ie](mailto:karen@fingalcountychildcare.ie) or call : 0874705806



### FIRST 5 ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT 2023

Minister publishes 2023 progress report for First 5, the whole of government strategy for babies, children and their families. [LINK TO PRESS RELEASE](#)



### SUPPORTING THE TRANSITION TO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mo Scéal – preschool to primary school transition support materials for early years educators. Better Start has resources to assist early years educators support children moving to primary school. [Social Stories tip sheet](#)



### €25M BUILDING BLOCKS EXTENSION GRANT SCHEME FOR EARLY LEARNING AND CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

Minister Roderic O’Gorman announces €25m in capital funding to deliver thousands of additional early learning and childcare places. [LINK TO PRESS RELEASE](#)



### EQUAL START FUNDING MODEL

Minister O’Gorman announced a new funding model aimed at increasing meaningful participation for children experiencing disadvantages. [LINK TO PRESS RELEASE](#)





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### Core Funding



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Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

20/05/2024

Temporary arrangements for students to work in settings during summer 2024



# AIM

ACCESS & INCLUSION MODEL



## Early Years hive



### Programme Year 3 of Core Funding

DCEDIY have made developments to the upcoming Programme Year 3 of Core Funding (1st September 2024 - 31st August 2025). Some of these developments involve base rate increases and fee management. Please see the attached document\_



### Programme Readiness 2024/2025

The first stage of Programme Readiness for ECCE, NCS and the CCSP Saver Programme 2024/2025 is now available for services to complete on the Early Years Hive.

Before you can activate a funding agreement, ensure that the information for 2024/2025 in the My Account section is up to date.

Please note that this year you will need to submit your Fee Table before activating a Funding Agreement for ECCE/NCS/CCSP Saver programme ([guidance here](#)). Once this is done, your Primary Authorized User (PAU) can activate a funding agreement on the All Programme Applications page of the Early Years Hive.

Funding agreements and programme rules can be found on the Programme Documents page of the Early Years Hive.

**POBAL** correction version of the payment dates - July to September

**FCCC** Summary on What's new for Partner Services in Core Funding Year 3 June 2024

### CRITICAL INCIDENTS in Early Learning and Care and School Age Childcare Services

#### PLANNING and RESPONDING

### Meet the Inspector

A child's guide to inspection in pre-school

June edition

### Early Years e-bulletin

Information for Childminders on the National Action Plan for Childminding (2021 - 2028)

### AIM Information session for Providers and Practitioners

Online Workshop @ 5.30pm July 22nd

Suitable for:

- New staff in the service
- Staff engaging with AIM for the first time.
- Staff who wish to refresh on the objectives and levels of AIM.

Delivered by the Better Start team.

Topics Covered: Targeted and Universal Supports & How to apply for AIM supports

CLICK HERE TO BOOK

### YOUR Early Years hive SNAPSHOT

8 July 2024

### National Action Plan for Childminding 2021-2028

# TÚSLA

### Corrective and Preventive Action Process

[Tusla Corrective & Preventive Action Form amended.](#)

### Early Years Services Inspection Notebook

[New Inspection Notebook Template](#)

### Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice

[Early Years Inspectorate Regulatory Notice](#)

## CHILDMINDERS

Are you a childminder or thinking of becoming a childminder? contact our dedicated CMDO Sarah for support and information [sarah@fingalcountychildcare.ie](mailto:sarah@fingalcountychildcare.ie) 0874485558







### FCCC JOBS BOARD

Fingal CCC have updated their website to include an interactive Jobs Board. The new [FCCC Jobs Board](#) facilitates the recruitment of staff into the ELC Sector in Fingal. To advertise a job simply go to our website and click on the jobs board tab. Employers with job vacancies can post a job by clicking on the link above and fill in the required fields. The jobs posted will go live immediately and will be visible on the site for 30 days and will then be archived. Note - you don't need to set up a log in, just complete the form and click submit.

### SERVICE CLOSURES STEPS:

1. Inform FCCC via email to [info@fingalcountychildcare.ie](mailto:info@fingalcountychildcare.ie)
2. Complete the Cessation of Services form for Tusla - [click here](#)
3. Inform Pobal & make any necessary changes to registrations on the HIVE.

Service Closure if an Approved Provider closes its ELC service, or ceases to provide a DCEDIY childcare programme: Notice must be submitted in writing immediately to the local City/County Childcare Committee and the Data Management Team in the Scheme Administrator by raising a service request on the EY HIVE and selecting the Request Programme Type "User Account Management", then selecting the Category "How to" and the Sub-Category "Closures. FCCC will link in with individual services once the notification has been received.



- [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](#)

## FOR PARENTS

FOLLOW THE LINKS BELOW AND STAY TUNED WITH FCCC



Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth



DCEDIY-Supporting Parents Website

Applying for the NCS for the first time and need help completing your application form?

Find our Application Guide at: [ncs.gov.ie](https://ncs.gov.ie)

Remember NCS subsidies are not automatically renewed! Check out our full Renewal Guide at: [ncs.gov.ie](https://ncs.gov.ie)

Information for Parents on the National Action Plan for Childminding (2021 - 2028)

AIM Information session for Parents

Online Workshop @ 10.30am July 24th

The Access and Inclusion Model or AIM is designed to help all children to get the most out of their preschool years. This session will address the supports available under AIM while your child partakes in the ECCE funding programme:

- What is AIM?
- Frequently asked questions about AIM
- Helpful resources

Topics Covered: Targeted and Universal Supports & How to apply for AIM supports

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July 2024

Together for Better Early Learning and Childcare

What does Core Funding Year 3 mean for Parents/Guardians?

July 2024

First 5

Summer Stars

Right to Read

First 5

There's a Little Library Bag for every child! Pick up their FREE Little Library Book Bag at your local library



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION,  
FINGAL COUNTY CHILDCARE COMMITTEE.

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