



WELCOME

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

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**MEET OUR TEAM
WE ARE HERE TO HELP**

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/)

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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](#)

22 JULY 2024

[AIM Level 1 Applications open for existing graduates](#)

22 JULY AT 5.30PM

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

24 JULY 2024 AT 10.30AM

[AIM Online Information Sessions for Parents](#)

28 JULY 2024

Deadline for submission of your Core Funding QAP Report 2023/2024; [English version / Irish Version](#)

5 AUGUST 2024

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

19 AUGUST 2024

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

19 AUGUST 2024

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

16, 18, 21 SEPTEMBER 2024

[DEI Training](#)



DEI Training
DIVERSITY, EQUALITY AND INCLUSION FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE PROVIDERS

[Link to Register](#)

Dates and Times
September 2024
Monday 16th - 4 - 9pm
Wednesday 18th - 4 - 9pm
Saturday 21st - 9 - 2pm

Location
Fingal County Childcare
Digital Office Centre
BALMONEY INDUSTRIAL PARK
BALMONEY ROAD
DUBLIN
CO. DUBLIN
D18 6R40

Topics Covered

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

Appendix 1 of your ECCE contract states: All at Level 1
The Registered provider will engage with the CCC and participate in the Diversity, 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 DEI resource pack for each service on completion.

IMPORTANT DATES

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 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](#)





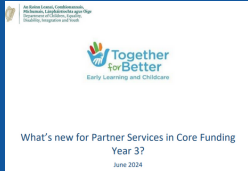
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- ❗ **POBAL** correction version of the payment dates - July to September
- ❗ **FCCC** Summary on What's new for Partner Services in Core Funding Year 3 June 2024
- ❗ **AIM Level 1** Application Process opens 22 July for 2024 for existing graduates
- ❗ **Compliance** visits during the 2024 summer months

The Pobal Compliance team will conduct unannounced visits as per normal procedure over the summer months to ELC/SAC services whose calendars indicate that they are operational during the summer. Services operating during the summer should ensure that all records relating to all programmes are available for review during such visits. This includes records for programmes that are paused over the summer months (e.g. ECCE).

Please note the importance of records that should be available for inspection include all Roll Books /Attendance Records **, Fee Records, Parent Statements etc.

The individual NCS, ECCE and CCSP Saver Programme Compliance Checklists 2023/2024 are available under the Compliance headings of the Programme Documents section of the Early Years Hive. These Checklists will assist in collating the relevant information that form part of each programme's compliance checks.



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 Refresher for 2024/2025



Temporary Arrangements for Students During the Summer Period 2024

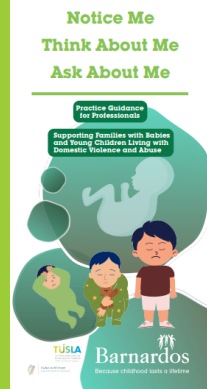
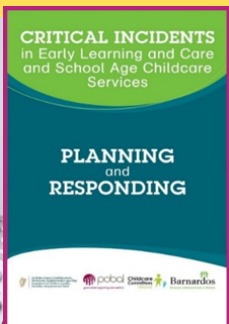
Hive Announcement 17.7.2024



Copying your 2023/2024 Fee Table

The ability to copy your 2023/2024 Fee Table and use the information for your new 2024/2025 Fee Table is once again available on the Service Fees page of the Early Years Hive.

If you copied your 2023/24 Fee Table before 1.30pm on 28th June 2024, you will need to create a new Fee Table if you want to change your service status on your Fee Table from Approved Provider to Partner Service. Please note that if you copy your Fee Table, you still need to review each fee option and fee extra and make any required amendments before submitting.



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

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Better Start FINGAL COUNTY CHILDCARE COMMITTEE



Early Years Inspectorate - Childminding Services



Tusla Corrective & Preventive Action Form amended.



New Inspection Notebook Template



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

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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
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](#)

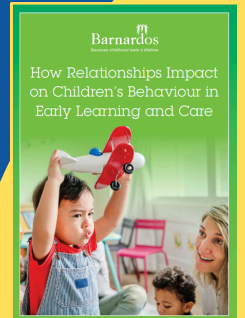
FOR PARENTS

FOLLOW THE LINKS BELOW AND STAY TUNED WITH FCCC

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Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth



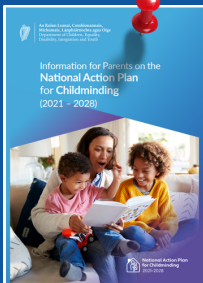
Applying for the NCS for the first time and need help completing your application form?

Find our Application Guide at: ncs.gov.ie

Remember NCS subsidies are not automatically renewed! Check out our full Renewal Guide at:

ncs.gov.ie

DCEDIY-Supporting Parents Website



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.

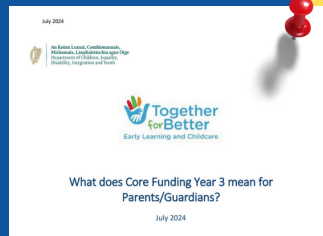
This session will address the supports available under AIM while your child partakes in the ECCE funding programme:

- 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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[Better Start](#) [Fingal County Childcare Committee](#) [AIM](#)



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