



Newsletter

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First Aid Regulation Update Tusla January 2017

There is no accredited first aid course specifically for use with children and it has been the practice for staff in early year's services to undertake training that has been adapted to take account of paediatric emergencies. There is no suggestion that this training has been below standard. However, because the training courses are not accredited, there has been no guarantee of quality. The DCYA recommends that early year's staff who are availing of first aid training for the first time should undertake the First Aid Response (FAR) training from a training provider – also known as a "recognized institution" – approved by the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council (PHECC). The FAR Standard, which was developed by PHECC, offers appropriate training to individuals who require a first aid skill set for both adults and children. In addition to setting the standard, PHECC is responsible for approving organisations to become PHECC-recognized institutions to deliver the training. This means that the quality of the training delivered by these organisations and their instructors is approved by PHECC.

For additional information, please refer to the PHECC website www.phecc.ie

For details of recognised institutions that provide the FAR training, please refer to <http://goo.gl/2eZ7BE> Q230.

When your certification is due for renewal it is recommended that you undertake your first aid refresher course with an instructor who is approved by the Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council. This instructor will assess your first aid skills and will advise you whether you require additional training.

FCCC Development Officers Re-structuring

FCCC sent an email out to all early years' services, afterschool services, Tusla notified childminders & parent & toddler groups earlier this month regarding your Development Officer that looks after specific areas throughout Fingal. The Development Officers welcome this opportunity to work alongside all services that are involved in the early years & afterschool provision.

Adrienne Doyle – Dublin 15.

Blanchardstown, Castaheaney, Carpenterstown, Castleknock, Clonee, Clonsilla, Mulhuddart, Porterstown, Laurel Lodge, Huntstown, Hartstown, Ongar, Phibblestown, Pelletstown, Rosemount Business Park, Hollystown, Tyrellstown, Ashtown.

01-4851727/ 087 9217918 or email Adrienne@fingalcountychildcare.ie

Jacinta Cooke – Balbriggan & surrounding areas

Balbriggan, Ballyboughal, Bascaddan, Garristown, St.Margarets, The Ward, Oldtown, Naul, Skerries,Loughshinney, Rush,Lusk, Donabate.

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Mairéad Tucker – Swords & surrounding areas

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Upcoming Training

Training: Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Charter Training

Dates: 4 March, 6, 13 and 20 March 2017 (all dates to be attended)

Venues: Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co Dublin

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15

Both of these sessions are totally booked out.