



National
CHILDCARE
Scheme
Early Learning & Care

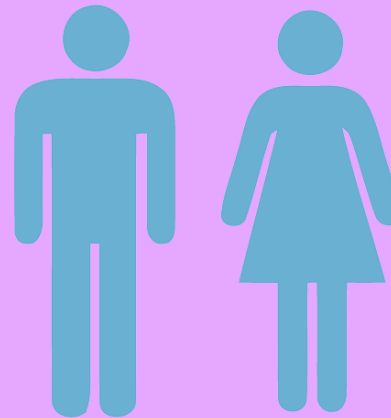
NATIONAL CHILDCARE SCHEME

Parents Information Session



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What Is The National Childcare Scheme?



The National Childcare Scheme is a new, national scheme of financial support for parents towards the cost of childcare.



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Why Is It Being Introduced?

By providing financial support towards the cost of childcare, the Scheme aims to:

- Make childcare more affordable, with a particular focus on low-income families, and some support for all,
- Improve access to quality childcare,
- Assist families to return to work and training,
- Improve outcomes for children **and, through all of the above,**
- Reduce child poverty, and support economic growth.



Existing Childcare Support Programmes

NCS is replacing all previous childcare support programmes.



Some families will become
eligible for subsidies
for the first time.

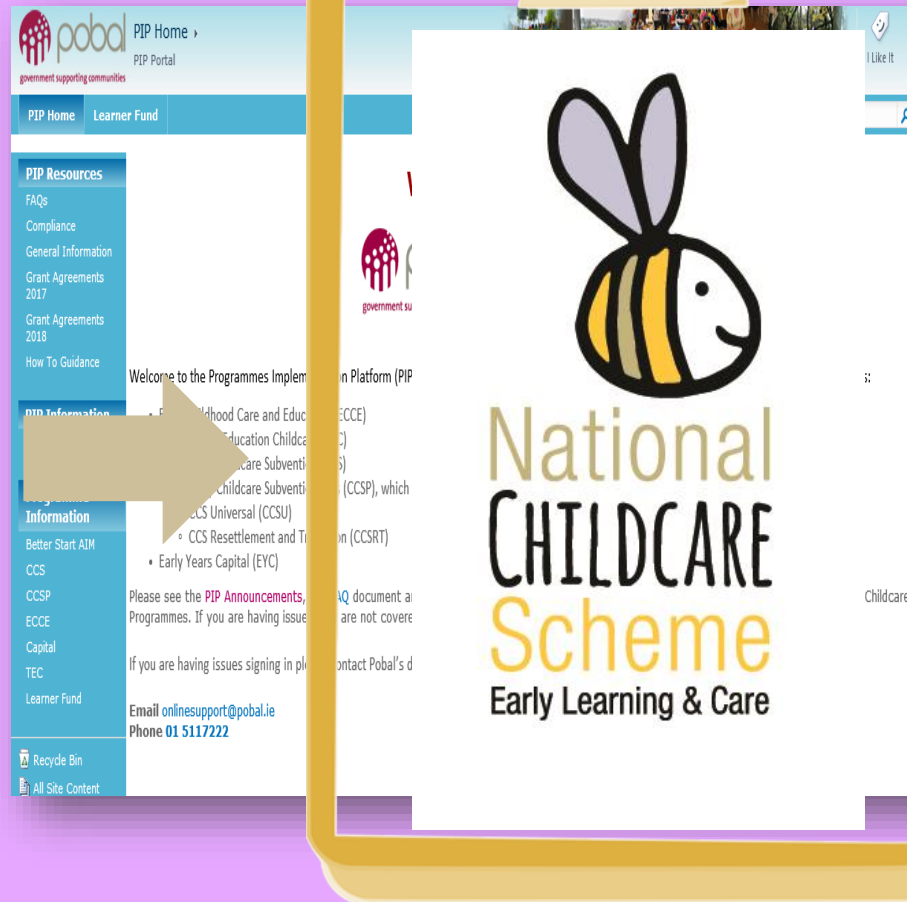


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Transitional Arrangements



Community Childcare
Subvention Plus (CCSP)
Training and Employment
Childcare (TEC)
Childcare Education and
Training Support (CETS)
After School Child Care (ASCC)
Community Employment
Childcare (CEC)



**ECCE is not
affected by NCS
and will remain
in operation.**



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Transitional Arrangements

Children registered on the existing schemes **before** the National Childcare Scheme launches will be able to stay on them for the balance of the 2019/2020 programme year, if this is their parents preference.



Before Starting The Application



Applicants will need to have set up a **Verified MyGovID** in order to apply for an NCS Subsidy.



YOUR PERSONAL ACCESS TO YOUR PUBLIC SERVICES

Using a **Verified MyGovID** will pre-populate a User Profile which will auto-fill the following details for convenience:

Name | **Surname** | **DOB** | **PPSN**

More information at www.mygovid.ie and www.psc.gov.ie



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Promoting MyGovID

Getting ready for the National Childcare Scheme

Your **verified** MyGovID gives you safe, secure, online access to a range of Irish Government services, including the National Childcare Scheme. Here's how to do it:

1

To get started, you need a Public Services Card. If you don't have one you can make an appointment to get one at www.mywelfare.ie. Pick a location from one of 60+ Intreo Centres/Social Welfare Offices nationwide and book a time that suits you.

2

Your phone has to be verified. This is also done by attending any Intreo Centre/Social Welfare Office. A PIN will be sent straight to your phone. Otherwise, you will receive your PIN through the post.

3

Log on to www.mygovid.ie to get your **verified** MyGovID.



MyGovID - The safe and quick way to access the National Childcare Scheme



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Application Types

UNIVERSAL

€0.50 PER HOUR
FOR UP TO 40 HOURS
PER WEEK

CHILDREN BETWEEN
24 WEEKS AND
36 MONTHS*

TUSLA REGISTERED
SERVICE PROVIDER

NON MEANS TESTED/
AVAILABLE TO THOSE
WITH ANY
INCOME LEVEL

INCOME ASSESSED

CHILDREN FROM
24 WEEKS TO 15 YEARS

TUSLA REGISTERED
SERVICE PROVIDER

SUBSIDY DETERMINED
BY FAMILY'S
RECKONABLE INCOME

FAMILY'S ANNUAL
RECKONABLE INCOME
IS UP TO MAX €60,000

SPONSOR

MINISTER FOR
EDUCATION & SKILLS

MINISTER FOR
JUSTICE & EQUALITY

CHILD AND FAMILY
AGENCY (TUSLA)

HEALTH SERVICE
EXECUTIVE (HSE)

LOCAL
AUTHORITIES



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Eligibility Requirement

One of the applicants must:

- Be ordinarily resident in the State.
- or a citizen of an EU member state.
- or a citizen of Switzerland, Iceland, Norway or Liechtenstein.
- or an asylum seeker or programme refugee.
- or formerly employed or self-employed in the Rep. of Ireland AND still entitled to specified social welfare payments.

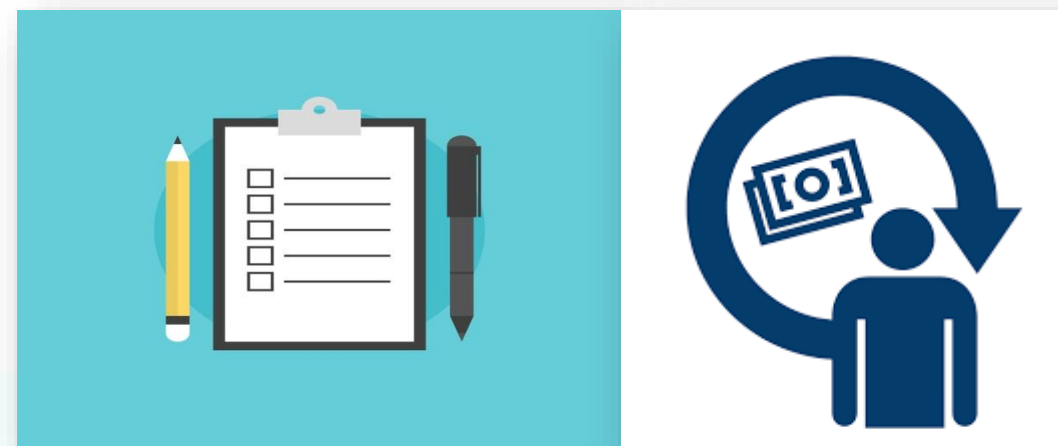


Declaring the Family Income



Income Assessed Applicants declare any additional family income by clicking **Yes or No** to the following questions (for both applicant and partner):

- Any Non-PAYE income earned? Y/N
- Any maintenance paid? Y/N
- Any maintenance received? Y/N
- Any income earned from outside of Ireland? Y/N



If YES to any question provide net amount.

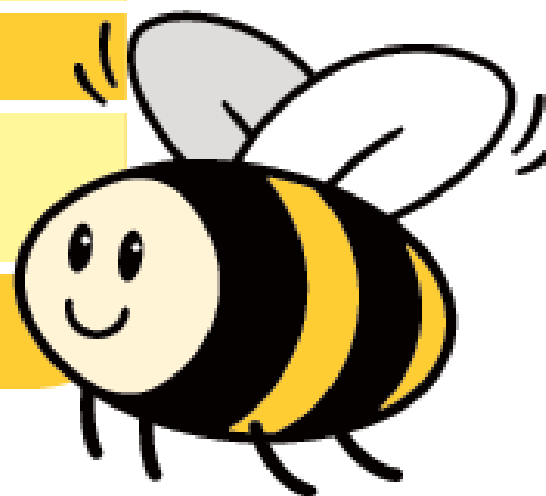


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Maximum Subsidies Rates By Age



Child's age	Maximum subsidy per hour (Rates valid as at October 2019)
Less than 12 months old	€5.10
12 to 35 months old	€4.35
3 years old or older and not yet in school	€3.95
At school	€3.75



Deductions Under the Scheme



The following items can be deducted from your net income:

- Multiple Child Discount:
 - Reduction of **€4,300** for families with 2 children under 15.
 - Reduction of **€8,600** for families with 3 or more children under 15.
- Pension Contributions, up to the limit allowed by the Revenue Commissioners as a deduction from tax.
- Any maintenance payments made by the Applicant.
- A number of Social Protection payments.

Please refer to the NCS website for more information.
www.ncs.gov.ie



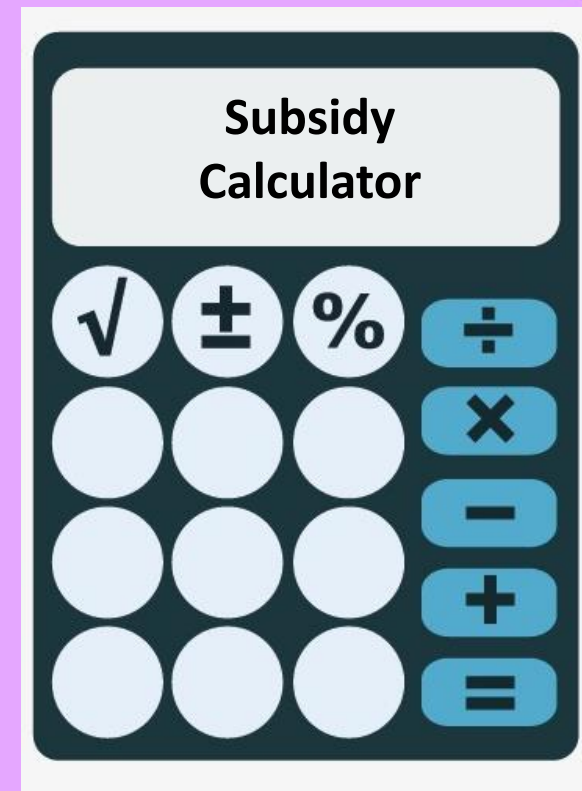
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Subsidy Calculator



- A subsidy calculator will be available before the launch of the Scheme.
- It will help Applicants to estimate Income Assessed subsidy amounts.
- Applicants enter:
 - Net Income and Work/Study Details,
 - Subsidy Children,
 - Non-Subsidy Children (Under 15),
 - Proposed Subsidy Start Date.

No Data is retained - No Names - No PPSN's



Income Assessment

The Income Assessment (together with the child's age) will dictate the subsidy per hour available for each child.

- Parent has the option to provide proof of income from:
 - (i) Current Year or
 - (ii) Last Year (tick box)



Work/Study/Training Status



This will decide the number of hours subsidy that the Applicant is eligible for.

Parent A

Parent will need to provide details of his/her training body.

Employed
Self Employed
Studying/Training*
Unavailable for Care
None of the Above

ParentB

Parent will need to provide details about his/her employer.

Employed*
Self Employed
Studying/Training
Unavailable for Care
None of the Above



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Childcare Identifier Code Key



Service Providers take the Child's Name, Date of Birth and CHICK from Applicants.

This unlocks the Award details:

- Subsidy Type (Universal/Income Assessed).
- Subsidy Rate Per Hour.
- Max Number of Hours Per Week.
- Expected Changes in Subsidy Rate Per Hour/Week.
- Subsidy Expiry Date.



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Confirming the Registration



In order to complete the Registration, Applicants **MUST** 'Confirm' this step on the **Applicant Portal**.



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Supports to Applicants

- Communications and Engagement Strategy led by the Dept. of Children and Youth Affairs.
- National Awareness Campaign.
- A dedicated Applicant Support Line.
- Best practice training of Contact Centre staff in order to directly support parents.



You have a dedicated Contact Centre.



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Sponsor Referral For Vulnerable Families

Formal agreements between each of the 5 Sponsor Bodies and the Minister for Children and Youth Affairs provide the legal basis for referrals and govern the detail of referral procedures.

Sponsors may make referrals for childcare support under the Scheme.



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When Does NCS Open To Applicants?



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Questions and Answers



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