

Dear Early Childhood Care and Educator/Service Provider,

Please see below our bulletin for the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) sector in County Roscommon with relevant information for you regarding deadlines, training and updates.

As always, we welcome any feedback on our communication with you and if you need to have something clarified or discussed in more detail, then please contact a member of our staff team through email or on our main number at 094 9622540.

Please keep updated through our new website [www.roscommonchildcare.ie](http://www.roscommonchildcare.ie) and on our face book page at <https://www.facebook.com/roscommonchildcare/> where we will continue to post relevant information for our sector as the central local information hub for the ECCE sector in County Roscommon.

***We aim to as wide an audience as possible and would be grateful if you could distribute this to each member of your staff teams and place on your bulletin/information board for sharing of information. We hope you enjoy this bulletin and find it informative and beneficial.***

Kind Regards,

Irene Cafferky, Manager and Roscommon CCC Staff Team Carmel, Majella, Martina & Louise Roscommon County Childcare Committee

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## UPCOMING DEADLINES OF IMPORTANCE

### **7<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 – Learner Fund Bursary Application Deadline**

Applications for level 7/8/9 bursary close at 5 p.m. 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

### **30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 – Capital Financial Returns Submission Deadline**

All financial returns for the early year's capital and school-aged childcare capital must be submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

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## Continuing Professional Development Training/Workshops

### Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Charter and Guidelines for Early Childhood Care and Education

Roscommon County Childcare Committee are hosting another training course on the implementation of the Diversity, Equality and Inclusion Charter and Guidelines for the Early Childhood Care and education sector for County Roscommon.

By completing this training it will support the Inclusion Officer appointed within your service or if one of your staff is participating on the LINC programme. Support will be given by RCCC to ensure your Inclusion policy is in line with the Early Childhood Care and Education Charter and Preschool Regulations 2016 to meet the individual needs of your service when the training is completed. **This training is free of charge.**

**All sessions must be attended to receive your certificate of attendance.**

#### Dates for your Diary:

- **Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of November 10am – 4.30pm**
- **Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of November 6.30pm – 9.30pm**
- **Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 6.30pm – 9.30pm**
- **Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> of December 6.30pm – 9.30pm**

**Venue: Roscommon CCC Office, Knock Roads, Castlerea**

To book your place please contact Majella in the office on 0949622520 or email on [majella.mcgovern@roscommonchildcare.ie](mailto:majella.mcgovern@roscommonchildcare.ie)

### Behaviour Management Workshop

Canavan & Byrne's Nicola Erasmus will be hosting a behaviour management workshop. This workshop will focus on strengthening practitioner competencies and fostering children's academic, social and emotional competencies and reduce challenging behaviour's for the child aged 3-6 year.

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The workshop will concentrate on the following:

- Positive Relationships and image of the child
- Social and Emotional Regulation
- The art of praise and encouragement
- Steps in conflict resolution
- Effective limit setting/ expectations
- Discuss various strategies

**Date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

**Time:** 7.00pm -10.00pm

**Venue:** Abbey Hotel, Galway Rd, Ballypheasan, Roscommon

**Fee:** €20 per person

To book your place please complete the booking form available on RCCC's website and return it along with the booking fee to Roscommon County Childcare Committee, Knock Road, Castlerea, Co. Roscommon.

Closing date for receipt of booking forms is 5pm Friday 17th November 2017

### CAPA – Corrective Action and Preventive Actions Training

Early Childhood Ireland, in collaboration with TUSLA Early Years Inspectorate are pleased to announce the second roll-out of a support/training workshop for Early Years Providers. We have already delivered this programme to over 350 registered providers nationwide.

During the workshop, the procedures to be followed in responding to Corrective Actions and Preventive Actions (CAPA) will be outlined. A CAPA is used to respond to a non-compliance which has been identified during the inspection process. The format of the CAPA will be identified and explained and providers will be supported in developing clear, solution-focused Action Plans in responding to non-compliances under the Early Years Services Regulations (2016). These workshops are free of charge and are open to both sessional and full daycare providers.

**Booking is essential as places are limited.** Attendance is limited to one person per setting as the workshop is specifically for the registered provider who would be responding to a non-compliance. Bookings can be made by clicking on the following [link](#)

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**Venue:** Abbey Hotel, Roscommon

**Dates:** 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**Times:** 7.00pm - 9.00pm

**Pricing:** Free of Charge

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## Information Updates

### Pobal Compliance Checklist

The Compliance checklist is currently being finalised, after which it will be posted to PIP together with the 2017/2018 Compliance Announcement.

### Capital Expenditure Reports

The Capital Expenditure reports are scheduled to be available today on PIP.

### DCYA Programme Rules – revised version 1.1

Version 1.1 of the DCYA Childcare Programme Rules which are being published today. Please see important information in the links below;

[Letter to Childcare Providers](#)

[Rules for DCYA Childcare Programme version 1.1](#)

### Child Protection

Due to the full enactment of the Child protection bill, we have been asked to suspend all child protection training to allow for the updating of materials and presentations. All service will be receive a letter in relation to this.

As every service will be required to have a safeguarding statement we will be providing training early in the New Year to ensure you all have the information you need. We will keep you posted on training dates. In the meantime, there are several helpful documents on the Tusla website which you can find [here](#).

### AIM Level 1 Inclusion Coordinator

If you or someone you employ is a graduate of the LINC programme, you are entitled to additional ECCE capitation. Application forms are now available on PIP for completion. To apply you will need the unique graduate ID number from Mary Immaculate College and a signed declaration and consent form.

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## Level 7/8/9 Learner Fund Bursary

Applications for this bursary are now open. If you wish to apply, please send an email to [carmel.dunne@roscommonchildcare.ie](mailto:carmel.dunne@roscommonchildcare.ie) to request a form.

## Factual Accuracy Form

Following a review by the Early Years Management team in Tusla the Factual Accuracy form has now been amended and will include any disputed findings.

Therefore, the Factual Accuracy form can be used for any factual inaccuracies or any disputed findings and removes the need for any Registered Provider to write in separately.

The form has been updated on the Tusla EYI webpage and is now available to all Providers and for support organisations by clicking on the following [link](#).

As can be seen on the form the addition of disputed findings is in red to highlight the change.

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