

DCCC Training Calendar

Autumn 2023



Always Children First - Child Protection Training



Always Children First training is aimed at Designated Liaison Person (DLP) and Deputy Designated Liaison Person (DDL) working in a childcare service. The training will build on previous learning from the Tusla e-Learning programme and will provide further knowledge and understanding regarding safeguarding practices for working with children and their families.

There are two training dates available in different locations in the county:

Saturday 14th October, 9.30am to 4.30pm: The Mill Park Hotel, Donegal Town

Saturday 25th November, 9.30am to 4.30pm: Dillon's Hotel, Letterkenny.

Cost: €20

Participants must complete the Tusla e-Learning Certificate Programme prior to attending and a copy of the certificate must be emailed to DCCC in advance of the training.

Maximum of two participants per service.

Please see booking links below:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/always-children-first-child-protection-training-sat-14th-october-2023-tickets-721106437767?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/always-children-first-child-protection-training-sat-25th-november-2023-tickets-721108383587?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Aistear, Siolta and the Practice Guide: An Introductory Workshop

The logo for the Aistear Siolta Practice Guide, featuring the text 'Aistear Siolta' in a green and blue font with 'Practice Guide' in a smaller font below it.

This CPD is an eligible activity for your Core Funding Quality Action Plan and explores Aistear, Siolta and the Practice Guide.

Using a 'start from the start' approach, the Siolta Aistear Introductory workshop provides an overview of the two national early years frameworks, Siolta and Aistear and the online support tool The Aistear Siolta Practice Guide.

This 2.5 hour workshop will support participants to learn about the purpose and structure of Siolta and Aistear, to explore the connections between the two frameworks, to find out more about the Aistear Siolta Practice Guide and to examine the possibilities for further support and guidance in relation to Aistear and Siolta in the early childhood sector.

This workshop will be of benefit to all educators, particularly anyone who feels they haven't been actively using the frameworks or would like a refresher as a means of re-engaging to support their practice.

The workshop will be held in Cara House Family Resource Centre, Letterkenny on Monday 16th October, 7pm to 9pm.

Please see booking link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/aistear-siolta-and-the-practice-guide-an-introductory-workshop-tickets-719789177807?aff=erelpanelorg>

Siolta Awareness Raising Workshop (Part 1)



This workshop is included in your Core Funding Quality Action Plan suite of workshop choices.

This workshop is for educators who have completed Aistear, Siolta and the Practice Guide Introductory workshop.

During the session, we will explore:

Standard 1: Rights of the Child

Standard 3: Parents and Families

Standard 4: Consultation

Standard 5: Interactions and Standards

Standard 14: Identity and Belonging

The workshop will take place on Monday 23rd October 2023, 7pm to 9pm in Cara House Family Resource Centre, Letterkenny.

Please see booking link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/siolta-awareness-raising-workshop-part-1-tickets-719822136387?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in Early Childhood Care and Education



The programme explores equality, diversity and inclusion for early educators. The training is beneficial to current staff and those new to sector.

With the widely changing diversity of families in Donegal, DCCC look forward to continuing to roll out the popular Diversity, Equality and Inclusion training programme to support Early Educators in their role.

The 15 hour programme will explore what inclusion in an early learning centre in Ireland really looks like, why it's important, how to support all children/families to feel empowered and fully included in your service.

The programme will be delivered over 4 sessions: Tuesday 14th, 21st, 28th November and Tuesday 12th December between 7 - 9.30pm in Sliabh Sneacht, Drumfries, Clonmany

Free resources will also be provided including skin tone paints, dolls and children's books which show positive representation of all children in our community

Please see booking link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/equality-diversity-and-inclusion-in-early-childhood-care-and-education-tickets-721277609747?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Lunch and Learn

A lunch time session on the implementation and review of Policies and Procedures for Childcare Managers and Assistant Managers



This CPD is an eligible activity for your Core Funding Quality Action Plan.

This online workshop will help you when you need to develop new or revise existing policies, procedures, and statements for your early years' service.

This workshop outlines why good policies are important and suggests a process you can use to review your current policies.

It also tells you:

- What policies are required.
- What needs to be considered.
- Who should be involved.
- Where to go for information and resources.
- How to format and structure policies and procedures.
- Who to share them with and how best to do this

Date: Thursday 26th October

Time: 1pm-2pm

Facilitated By: Amanda Boyle and Bridgid Casey DCCC

Please see booking link below:

https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lunch-and-learn-implementation-and-review-of-policies-and-procedures-tickets-721973531267?utm_source=eventbrite&utm_medium=email&utm_content=follow_notification&utm_campaign=following_published_event&utm_term=Lunch+and+Learn+-+Implementation+and+Review+of+Policies+and+Procedures&aff=ebemoffollowpublishemail