

Early Years Single Funding Formula for providers of free education to, Three and Four Year-olds – Update Report

Appendix A : Details for the Quality Supplement

The Quality Childcare Project Group in consultation with current FEEE providers, from both PVI settings and schools, agreed a framework under which to calculate the quality supplement aspect of the 2013/14 EYSFF proposed that the following quality indicators should be used:

- Outcomes for/progress made by children ,based on a setting's ability to assess, track, highlight and address the needs of children in its care.
- Quality Assurance scheme accreditation/participation, based on commitment to a relevant QA scheme/mark included on an agreed list relating to delivery of Early Education to under 5s (to be agreed following further consultation, i.e. ECERS-R, ITES-R, QUILT)
- Ofsted Inspection Outcome, based on level achieved at last full Ofsted inspection, i.e. Outstanding, Good, Satisfactory and Inadequate.
- Local Authority Assessment carried out on a regular basis and based on: EYFS Statutory Framework, SEN Statutory Guidance, Ofsted Inspection Framework, and additional local authority quality assessment requirements (details of quality criteria to be agreed but is likely to include legal and statutory requirements e.g. Human Resources, Safeguarding, Finance, Organisation's registration/constitution, Equal Opportunities. Assessments will be carried out by the local authority representatives with the relevant knowledge and experience).
- Quality of Workforce, based on: qualifications held by both the setting's childcare professionals and members of Leadership and Management teams; commitment to the workforce development (for all training needs); staff turnover; number of supernumerary staff.

This consultation has provided the headline areas under which a quality supplement will be paid. However the following work still needs to be undertaken in order to obtain information required in order to produce final budgetary figures for individual providers commissioned to deliver Free Early Education Entitlement (FEEE) Places

1. Further consultation with FEEE providers to confirm the information/data that will be used to calculate a monetary figure for each of the quality supplement areas e.g. under Quality of Workforce, what qualifications and level of training would equate to what level of funding?, What % turnover of staff would equate to a higher or lower of funding, How many supernumerary staff would equate to what level of funding?
2. Collating information required in order to establish which level of funding should be applied for each setting according to the agreed formula/measures
3. Calculating the funding levels for each individual setting according to the quality supplements agreed funding formula for 2013/14

It is unlikely this piece of work will be completed by 31/03/2013. If it is not complete the quality payments used as part of the EYSFF for 2012/13 will be used as an interim for 2013/14 to ensure continued payments to FEEE providers , with balancing payments made under the new 2013/14 formula once the above process has been completed.