

Additional Funding – A Guide for Childcare Providers

There are a number of additional sources of funding available that you can use to support individual children and raise the quality of the childcare provision that you offer.

Disability Access Fund (DAF)

The government introduced funding for Early Years providers, the Disability Access Fund (DAF), to support children with disabilities or special educational needs.

The DAF aids access to Early Years places by, for example, supporting providers in making reasonable adjustments to their provision.

What are the eligibility criteria for DAF?

Three- and four-year-olds will be eligible for the DAF if they meet the following criteria:

- the child is in receipt of child **Disability Living Allowance (DLA)** and the child receives the universal free 15-hour entitlement for three- and four-year-olds or the 30-hour extended entitlement

How do I Identify an eligible child?

Early Years providers are responsible for identifying eligible children by talking to parents in order to find out who is eligible for the DAF.

Funding is paid at ***£828 per year per child** (*correct as of 1 April 2023) per year and is paid to one childcare provider only, nominated by the parent/carer.

How do I claim DAF Funding?

The childcare provider will send a copy of the DLA award/entitlement letter for the child as proof of eligibility to Haringey, as stated in the Parental Agreement.

Providers will need to claim the funding by highlighting the appropriate field on Haringey's Childcare Provider Portal. The information they will require will be on the Parental Agreement.

Special Educational Needs (SEN) and Early Years Inclusion Funding (Top Up)

Haringey provides a fund known as the Early Years Inclusion Fund, to which all Haringey Pre-School settings can apply in order to receive additional funding to support them to meet a SEN child's needs. The fund, often called Top Up, is paid at two different rates which is dependent on need. View the link below for full details; the different levels of need, how to apply and what the setting can do with the funding.

[Additional Funding to Support Children with SEND in the Early Years | Haringey Council](#)

Early years pupil premium (EYPP)

The government introduced EYPP to help raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils of all abilities to reach their potential. If you have disadvantaged three-and four-year-olds at your setting, you may be eligible for EYPP.

How do I Identify an eligible child?

Providers are encouraged to speak to parents to find out who is eligible for EYPP funding, especially to the parents of children who took up the early learning entitlement for two-year-olds as many of these children will attract EYPP when they turn three. Three and four-year-olds will be eligible for EYPP if the child receives the universal 15 hours entitlement and they meet any of the following criteria:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided they are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, which is paid for 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (household income must be less than £7,400 a year after tax, not including any benefits—this is assessed on up to 3 of the parent's most recent Universal Credit assessment periods)—further guidance on checking eligibility is set out below
- they are currently being looked after by a local authority in England or Wales they have left care in England or Wales through:
 - an adoption order
 - a special guardianship order
 - a child arrangements order

View the governments additional FSMs protection details here:



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NB: If a child qualifies for EYPP under more than one set of criteria, they will only attract the funding once.

EYPP is payable on the universal 15 hours entitlement only and not on the additional 15 hours entitlement (30-hour offer) for working parents.

Funding is paid at £0.62 per hour - *£353.40 per year per child (*correct as of 1 April 2023)

How do I claim EYPP Funding?

Providers should ensure that parents who meet the eligibility criteria enter their personal details onto the parental agreement form and confirm consent for an eligibility check.

Providers will need to enter the information onto the provider portal termly headcount 'Parent/Carer details tab' and submit to Haringey to process the eligibility check. Any children found to be eligible will automatically attract the funding.

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