

Department for Education Provider Roadshows Thursday 9 May

In March 2023, the Government announced the largest ever expansion of childcare in the UK's history to provide the flexible, quality and affordable childcare that parents need to be able to work. From September 2025, children of eligible working parents will be able to access 30 hours of funded childcare per week from 9 months until they start school. This is being introduced in phases, with eligible parents of 2-year-olds able to access 15 hours of funded childcare a week from this coming April.

The early education and childcare sector play an invaluable role in society, the economy and children's lives. Such a significant transformation and ambitious timetable creates both opportunities and challenges for providers, Local Authorities and practitioners. Government and the sector working together is essential to ensure that families across the country are able to access this new childcare support they are entitled to.

These Department for Education (DfE) events are an opportunity for setting managers to hear from DfE directly on their ambitions for the sector, the rollout plans and progress so far, and for them to hear from you to help shape and manage implementation.

The session will include speakers from DfE and a series of training sessions and roundtable discussions on a range of topics relevant to supporting the sector and expanding provision in early years and childcare settings. Refreshments and lunch will be provided.

This event is targeted at group-based setting leaders who have, or will have, a role or interest in providing additional places as a result of government's childcare expansion. There are 150 places available for one attendee per setting.

Secure you place via the <u>online booking form</u>. Further communications, including details of how you can secure your training and roundtable places, will be sent to registered delegates leading up to the event.