

## ACHIEVING TWO YEAR OLDS

The Department for Education has commissioned Mott MacDonald and Hempsall's to deliver support to local authorities and early years providers, to help them to develop and implement the new entitlement to free early education for less advantaged two year olds.

This support programme will run until March 2015 with the aim of supporting you to:

- ensure there is sufficient capacity to meet the entitlement
- improve the quality of provision to best meet the needs of two year olds
- stimulate parental demand for free early education places

### Self Evaluation Form (SEF).

This SEF tool has been developed to act as a useful and constructive way for you to formalise your own reflections on how prepared you are to deliver the two year old entitlement. It also acts as the starting point for developing and delivering bespoke support targeted specifically to your local needs and requirements.

We will, in partnership with you, undertake an analysis of your SEF and agree a package of support for you going forward.

### Completion of the SEF.

The SEF has three sections to complete;

#### Local Authority information

This section asks for general information about the LA, data on childcare places and providers. Please complete as much as you can based on the information you have available

#### Self evaluation

This is designed to cover the level of readiness to deliver the entitlement and is broken down into four areas: Project Management, Processes, Providers and Capacity

#### Support requirements

This is the final section of the SEF and asks for your views on the nature of support required to deliver the entitlement in your authority. We will use this as the starting point for developing a support package.

Please complete each section as fully as you can, covering all three sections of the SEF. Completing the SEF as comprehensively as you can will ensure we are able to fully understand your local delivery challenges and will enable the National Support Team to work with you to develop an effective package to support you to prepare and deliver the offer

### Regional Leads

Your regional lead is Jo Pringle - [jopringle@hempalls.com](mailto:jopringle@hempalls.com) - 07540 614212

**DEADLINE** for return of your SEF is 10<sup>th</sup> August 2012. Please send to your regional lead, details above, on or before this date.

Local Authority Information			
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**Actual and estimated build up of free provision for two year olds**

Number of 2 year old children:		Notes
receiving free places in January 2012	372	Number was sought in DfE voluntary survey of places April 2012
receiving free places in April 2012	400	DFE voluntary survey in April 2012 asked for estimated number
you estimate will be receiving free places in Sept 2012	632	
you estimate will be receiving free places in January 2013	632	
you estimate will be receiving free places in April 2013	1000	This is an estimate
hours per week most commonly offered in April 2012 (e.g. 10 or 15 hours)	15	

**Anticipated scale of challenge to deliver entitlement**

	<b>September 2013 (children in families meeting criteria also used for free school meals, and looked after children)</b>	<b>September 2014 (as 2013, plus children in families below proposed £16,190 cut off, with SEN statements or disability living allowance, or adopted from care)</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Estimated number of children who will be eligible	2500 (half of 5000) based on indicated Government funding increase	5000 based on Government figures	For September 2014, please assume that criteria on which DfE is currently consulting will be confirmed.  You may wish to use DfE figures used for current consultation (at <a href="http://www.education.gov.uk/aboutdfe/departmentalinformation/consultations/a00211261/extending-free-early-education-two-year-olds">http://www.education.gov.uk/aboutdfe/departmentalinformation/consultations/a00211261/extending-free-early-education-two-year-olds</a> ) or your local figures
Estimated number of children requiring places	2000	4000	You may wish to allow for the fact that not all families will seek places for their eligible child (DfE has used a planning assumption that 80% will seek places, but you may prefer to use a different assumption)  Based on 80% of the indicative Government published in July 2012 as suggested. However, also looking at Leeds FSM data and numbers of children who were eligible in Summer 2012 in reception, year 1 and 2.

Anticipated number of new places needed	tbc	tbc	Further work is being undertaken to ensure that this reflects the number of places that are needed in specific areas of need and ensure that these are accurate. Initial indications are that for 1000 children a further 200 places are needed and for 2000, an extra 1000 places. This is being explored by the capacity and planning team, managed by Liz Lowes.
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<b>Quality of the market</b>			
Total number of providers	Breakdown of providers by Ofsted rating or alternative local authority rating system e.g. local quality ratings/ RAG ratings		
Total number of providers approved by the local authority to deliver two year old places	Satisfactory Or Red, etc	Good Or Amber, etc	Outstanding Or Green ,etc
102	6	76	20
Total number of providers who delivered two year old places in 2011/12	Satisfactory Or Red, etc	Good Or Amber, etc	Outstanding Or Green ,etc
41	1	33	7
Total number of providers who are delivering two year old places in 2012/13	Satisfactory Or	Good Or	Outstanding Or

	Red, etc	Amber, etc	Green ,etc
49	2	40	7

Funding	
What is your current hourly rate?	£4.85
If you provide any additional funding above the hourly rate please describe below.	
<p>A review is going to be undertaken in the autumn to identify whether £4.85 is still sufficient as this has not changed since first implantation in 2006.</p>	

What provider criteria do you currently use? Please write below or attach a copy of existing provider criteria/local conditions documentation with the SEF return
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**The eligibility criteria for 2 year olds during 2012/13 is:**

1. LAC
  
2. Children subject to a care plan (child protection plan) and
  
3. Free School Meal eligibility criteria including:
  - § Income support, or
  - § Job Seeker's Allowance (income based), or
  - § State Pension Credit (Guarantee Credit), or
  - § Employment and Support Allowance (income related), or
  - § Child Tax Credit, as long as you do not receive Working Tax Credit and you have an annual taxable income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs which does not exceed £16,190.00.

**Breakdown of providers delivering two year old places**

Provider type	Maintained e.g. local authority nursery classes, nursery schools and Children's Centres	Private day nurseries, commissioned Children's Centre services, pre-schools, playgroups and Independent schools	Voluntary sector day nurseries, pre-schools and playgroups.	Childminders
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Number of providers currently delivering places to two year olds	32	13	4	0
Number of providers approved to deliver places to eligible two year olds	32	43	16	11