Information for Preschool Providers

Work Stream One in the Early Intervention Transformation Programme (EITP) seeks to support parents to give their children the best start in life and is made up of three components:

**Getting Ready for Baby:** focused on transforming antenatal care

**Getting Ready for Toddler:** focused on embedding early intervention in core health visiting, with a focus on improving the social and emotional development of children attending pre-school

**Getting Ready to Learn:** focused on improving outcomes for children in pre-school by engaging and empowering parents to help them create and sustain positive home learning environments. For further information go to [www.gettingreadytolearn.co.uk](http://www.gettingreadytolearn.co.uk)

This programme is being delivered through a partnership between education and health

The Named Health Visitor for Pre-school Education settings and the 3+ Health Review for children attending Pre-school education are happening as part of a phased approach with some pre-schools across the Province already involved in the pilots from 2016 with further roll out from September 2017 through to September 2018.

**Named Health Visitor for Pre-school Education Settings**

A named health visitor will be aligned to every Department of Education funded pre-school education setting across Northern Ireland. The health visitor will work in partnership with her colleagues in education to provide a public health nursing service to support and promote healthy child development in pre-school education settings. The named health visitor will provide pre-school education staff with up-to-date health information, guidance and support in relation to individual children and the pre-school population, making contact once a term.
3+ Review for Children Attending Pre-school Education

As part of the programme the health visiting service will work together with pre-school education principals and leaders to introduce a 3+ health review for children attending pre-school education.

If you are involved in this initiative as part of this year’s roll out, your named health visitor or a member of the health visiting team will be in contact with you early September.

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