

Qualification List – Approved Home Childcarers

- Professional Qualification in any of the following; Social Work, Nursing, Midwifery , Health Visiting, Teaching and at least two years' experience in employment working with children of the age group relevant to the setting they will be working in
- Doctorate in Childhood Studies
- Master of Education (MEd)
- Diploma in Advanced Studies in Education(DASE)
- Masters of Early Childhood Studies
- Advanced Certificate in Education (AdvCertEd)
- Diploma in Advanced Studies in Education
- The Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) Primary Degree (PGCE) (3-8 years) Course
- BEd (Hons) Post-Primary Degree
- PGCE (Irish Medium Education)
- Post Graduate Certificate in Early Years Education
- Postgraduate Certificate in Early Years Leadership Stranmillis College [2 modules, 60 CAT's Points];PG students can exit with:
 - Postgraduate Certificate in Early Childhood Studies [2 modules, 60 CAT's Points];
 - Postgraduate Diploma in Early Childhood Studies [4 modules,120 CAT's points].
- BA Hons Degree Early Childhood Studies
- BA (Hons) Degree Playwork
- Graduate Diploma in Playwork (University of Gloucester)
- Level 5 Children's Care Learning and Development – Management
- Level 5 Children's Care Learning and Development – Advance Practice
- QCF Level 5 Children's Care Learning and Development – Management
- Level 5 Diploma in Playwork.
- QCF Level 4 Children's Care Learning and Development.
- NVQ Level 4 Children's Care Learning and Development.
- NVQ level 4Playwork
- CACHE Advanced Diploma in Childcare and Education – Level 4 Qualification
- Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies
- Pearson BTEC Higher National Diploma in Advanced Practice in Working with Children and Families
- Pearson BTEC Higher National Advanced Practice in Early Years Education (2016) QCF
- Pearson BTEC National Award in Children's Care Learning and Development
- Pearson BTEC National Certificate in Early Childhood Studies
- Pearson BTEC National Diploma in Early Childhood Studies
- Pearson BTEC National in Children's Care Learning and Development (2007)
- Pearson BTEC National Children's Play Learning and Development

- Level 3 Certificate in Childcare and Education
- NVQ Level 3 Early Years Care and Education
- NVQ Level 3 Childcare and Education
- NVQ level 3 Children's Care Learning and Development
- CACHE Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education
- QCF level 3 Children's Care Learning and Development
- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Children's Care Learning and Development
Wales and Northern Ireland
- NNEB Certificate /Diploma in Nursery Nursing

- Level 3 Diploma in Playwork
- Level 3 Certificate in Playwork
- NVQ Level 3 Playwork
- QCF 3 Playwork
- Level 3 Award in Transition to Playwork (from Early Years)
- Level 3 Transition Award to Early Years (from Playwork)

- Level 2 Diploma in Children's Care Learning and Development Northern
Ireland
- QCF Level 2 Diploma in Children's Care Learning and Development
- NVQ Level 2 Children's Care Learning and Development
- NVQ Level 2 Early Years Care and Education
- NVQ Level 2 Childcare and Education
- Ascentis Level 2 Certificate in Childminding Practice
- CACHE Level 1 Certificate in Caring for Children

Other sources of support

The Childcare Partnership provides access to a range of short courses to support ongoing continuous professional development

To find out what's available in your area use the following link

<http://childcarepartnerships.hscni.net/training-quality/>

Northern Ireland Social Care Council (NISCC) Mobile App designed for social workers, social work students and early years professionals working with/supporting children aged 0-6 years. It can also be used by parents and other health and social care professionals. (Updated Oct. 2018).

<https://learningzone.niscc.info/>

NISCC Online resource supporting Good Infection Control

<https://learningzone.niscc.info/learning-resources>

Link to the open adapt module – Induction Programme for Social Care Workers

<https://learningzone.niscc.info/learning-resources/86/induction-programme-for-social-care-workers>

Una we would have to develop the content for the Induction Module for AHCC and NISCC could set this up for us