

Play in Early Years Services

Duration: 3 hours or 1 full day

Group size: 20 participants per training

This training can be tailored to meet the specific needs of your organisation.

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“Play is central to the well-being, development and learning of the young child.”

Síolta Principle

The aim of this training is to assist participants to understand the importance of play for the development and day-to-day learning of young children.

Participants will have the opportunity to use the medium of play across the early years and explore the concept of ‘child-led play’

An extended full day version of this training will provide further and more in-depth learning.

Barnardos “Outdoor Play Matters” is the recommended resource as an accompaniment to this training.

Participants receive a certificate of attendance

Training outcomes

Participants will be able to:

- Describe **the importance of play for children’s development and learning**
- **Explore different kinds of play**
- **Examine the application** of Síolta and Aistear to their daily play activities
- Develop ideas **that will assist practitioners** to extend children’s play
- Identify where to access **further information and support** regarding play and learning

The course will involve presentation, case studies and group exercises.