

# Under threes funding guide for nurseries

Following the announcement from the Department for Education regarding temporary codes for two-year-olds and under twos funded childcare, NDNA has put together a quick step guide for nurseries, explaining what to do if a parent's reconfirmation date is on or after 9 June 2024.

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## PARENTS RECEIVE A LETTER FROM HMRC

If a parent has a child who is between nine months old and two years old on or before 31 August 2024, they will receive a letter with a temporary code.

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## PARENTS GIVE YOU THEIR TEMPORARY CODE

You should process this as normal, confirming their place for September. The code will be valid to confirm the new funding.

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## PARENTS RECONFIRM THEIR CODE

Parents still have to reconfirm their code when their window opens and they will receive a digital code. They don't need to wait until this point to confirm their early years place.

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## PARENTS RESERVE A PLACE WHILE THEY WAIT

If a parent can provide evidence that they receive Tax-Free Childcare, they will automatically be eligible for the new entitlement. Parents will lose their ability to take up a funded place if they don't provide a code.

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## AMEND THE INVOICE IF YOU CAN

If providers can, amend invoices if you have issued them before a parent has received their code.

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## PARENTS FALLING OUT OF ELIGIBILITY

A small number of parents may fall out of eligibility in the time between receiving a temporary code and reconfirming their eligibility. There is a funding grace period between 1 September 2024 and 31 December 2024 which will be funded through the early years block of the Designated Schools Grant.

