

Date: 24th March 2020

Dear Provider,

We are writing to you to update you on the developing situation around Coronavirus (COVID-19) and how it may affect the re-registration of your service.

There are two main groups we will refer to:

1. Services that were due to re-register by 31st December 2019 (with outstanding documents due to be submitted by 30th June 2020)
2. Services who are due to re-register in 2020. (These are services who were originally registered from 2017)

We will explain what the current situation is for both of these groups, and what will happen next.

Services due to re-register by December 2019

As you know, many early years' service providers were required to re-register their service by 31st December 2019. The deadline for submitting a number of remaining documents was relaxed to the later date of the 30th June 2020. These documents were required to be submitted by this date to conclude the process.

Given the unprecedented situation with COVID-19, and the pressure that the sector is currently facing, we have now taken a decision to defer the June deadline to a later date. We will notify you of the new deadline in due course.

Our team is working hard to ensure we remain available to support you as this unprecedented situation develops. If you need advice or support, you can email: re.registration@tusla.ie or call (061) 461715, where a member of the team will be able to advise you further.



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As some providers are using this time to compile the documents needed for the completion of re-registration, we will get in touch with you when the online portal opens to let you know that you can upload the remaining documents and provide advice or answer any queries you have. However, as the deadline has been extended, you can do this at a later date if you wish.

Services due to re-register in 2020

Any providers who were not due to re-register by December 2019, but whose date falls due in the coming weeks will be facilitated with an expedited (accelerated) re-registration process. Some of the documentation required will also be deferred to a later date. We will explain what this process is when we contact you directly. If your service is due for re-registration in the coming weeks our team will facilitate and support you to ensure that your registration continues. We will continue to review the situation as it develops, and communicate further with you as necessary.

For the latest advice and public health updates on Coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit www.hse.ie. We will also continue to issue updates regarding early years on our website www.tusla.ie.

Stay safe and kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Fiona McDonnell'. The signature is written over a horizontal line.

**Fiona McDonnell,
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