

# Can I get help with my childcare costs?

These rates are for guidance purposes only, and certain terms and conditions may apply, which you will find in the Programme Rules Document on [www.pobal.ie](http://www.pobal.ie)

## What supports are available?

Check the table below to view what 'band of supports' are available to you based on your situation

	<b>Band A (with medical card unless otherwise stated)</b>	<b>Band AJ (with medical card)</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band D</b>
Eligibility criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· One Parent Family Payment</li><li>· Widows/Widowers Pension</li><li>· Farm Assist</li><li>· State Pension</li><li>· Blind Pension</li><li>· Guardian's Payment</li><li>· Illness/Injury Benefit</li><li>· Disability Allowance</li><li>· Carer's Benefit/Allowance</li><li>· Back to Work Enterprise/Education Allowance</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Job Seeker's Benefit/Allowance*</li><li>· Supplementary Welfare Allowance**</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Medical Card</li><li>· Parents who are in receipt of Social Welfare payments listed under Band A/AJ but have no medical card</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· GP Visit Card (over 6yrs+only)***</li><li>· Parents who no longer qualify for Band A/AJ this year but who were verified as being on Band A/AJ at the end of</li></ul>

	<b>Band A</b> <b>(with medical card unless otherwise stated)</b>	<b>Band AJ</b> <b>(with medical card)</b>	<b>Band B</b>	<b>Band D</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Community Employment/Rural Social Scheme</li> <li>· Domiciliary Care Allowance</li> <li>· Family Income Supplement (FIS)</li> <li>· Secondary Students</li> <li>· Invalidity Pension</li> <li>· Disablement Pension</li> <li>· Official Tusla Referrals (no medical card required)</li> <li>· HSE Public Health Nurse referrals (no medical card required)</li> <li>· TÚS</li> <li>· Part-time Job Incentive Scheme</li> <li>· Gateway</li> </ul>			the previous school year

\*parents who qualify for Band AJ under Jobseeker's allowance/benefit receive maximum subvented childcare of €80 for full day care per week.

\*\*parents who qualify for Band AJ under Supplementary Welfare Allowance payments receive maximum subvented childcare of €80 for full day care per week.

\*\*\*Please note GP visit card for children 0-6 years of age does not qualify for CCS/CCSP subvention funding. A Family GP visit card does qualify for CCS/CCPS

The maximum subvention is €145 per week; however, the amount will depend on how much childcare you use and what funding you are eligible for.

Weekly rate	Band A (with medical card unless otherwise stated)	Band AJ (with medical card)	Band B	Band D
(Sessional payment (2:16-3:30))	€45	€45	€25	€17

**If you are attending:**

- further education,
- are in school,
- are participating in a Community Employment scheme,
- or are returning to work,

you may be eligible for the Training and Employment Childcare (TEC) Schemes.

The amount of subsidy available for the Training and Employment Childcare Schemes are:

	TEC Programmes (Existing and Proposed Weekly Subsidies)			
	CETS	ASCC	CEC AS	CEC PS

	<b>TEC Programmes (Existing and Proposed Weekly Subsidies)</b>							
	Current	From Sept 2017	Current	From Sept 2017	Current	From Sept 2017	Current	From Sept 2017
Full-time	€145	€145	€105	€145	-	-	-	-
Part-time	€80	€80	-	-	€80	€80	€80	€80
Afterschool	€45	€45	€40	€45	€40	€45	-	-
Afterschool with Transport	€80	€80	€80	€80	-	-	-	-