

As the director of a small Occasional Care Service, we are not eligible for money through the Early Years Quality Fund.

We agree with Childcare Workers receiving appropriate pay for their work however the Early Years Quality Fund will just make an incredible INEQUALITY with services – those who receive the money and those who don't.

Staff will move from those who dont receive the money to services who do and can offer better wages. So our service would lose on all fronts.

IF SOMETHING IS GOING TO BE DONE TO IMPROVE CHILDCARE WAGES LET IT BE FOR ALL SERVICE TYPES – NOT JUST SOME – WE ALL WORK EQUALLY HARD AND CHILDREN RECEIVE THE SAME BENEFITS.

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