

# Continuing Professional Development Packages and Release Dates

Communities of Practice in Early Learning and Care

Package **—** 

**AVAILABLE** 

All participants must complete this package

Leading Inclusive
Early Learning and Care
Settings: The Role of the
Inclusion Coordinator

**Package** 

2

**AVAILABLE** 

Available to participants that have completed package 1

Supporting Children's Social and Emotional Development

**Package** 

3

**AVAILABLE** 

Available on January 24 to participants that have completed package 1

Family, Professional and Community Partnerships

**Package** 

4

LAUNCHING IN SEPTEMBER 2022

Creating Early
Learning and Care
Environments where
Everyone Belongs

**Package** 

5

LAUNCHING IN JANUARY 2023

Observing, Documenting, Reflecting and Planning for Inclusion **Package** 

6

LAUNCHING IN SEPTEMBER 2023

Free to participate | 100% online

For further information see www.lincprogramme.ie or email linccpd@mic.ul.ie









# **Continue to Learn with LINC**

The Leadership for INClusion in the Early Years (LINC) Consortium is proud to present the CPD for INCOs continuing professional development (CPD) programme aimed at graduates of its Level 6 Special Purpose Award. A qualification designed to support early childhood teachers in leading and creating inclusive early learning and care (ELC) settings, where all children are enabled to flourish and achieve their potential.



#### Aims of the CPD Programme:

- To equip participants in their role as INCOs with the requisite knowledge(s), practices and values to lead inclusion in early learning and care (ELC) settings and to support the implementation of the Better Start Access and Inclusion Model (AIM).
- To offer participants strategies and supports to enable them to respond appropriately to ensure that all children can access and fully participate in ELC settings.
- To support participants in developing family, professional and community partnerships that contribute to the creation of inclusive ELC settings.
- To support participants in the development of Communities of Practice that provide for a for ELC practitioners to create inclusive ELC settings.

The LINC Consortium is led by Mary Immaculate College (MIC), and includes Early Childhood Ireland and Maynooth University-Froebel Department of Primary and Early Childhood Education.

"I would highly recommend this programme to any LINC Graduates. The information I received affirmed my role, and gave me new approaches and ideas."

LINC+ Participant 2021

#### **PROGRAMME STRUCTURE**

LINC+ is open to all graduates of the LINC Level 6 Programme and consists of six 10 hour continuing professional development packages. So far two packages are available with a third launching on January 24. The first package, Communities of Practice in Early Learning and Care. must be completed by all participants. They can then choose whichever package they wish to engage with i.e. once they have completed package 1 they can choose to complete either package 2 or package 3. Package 1 will commence in April 2022.



The content for the CPD programme will only be available online and will be hosted on Moodle. Moodle will be familiar to graduates of the original Level 6 Special Purpose Award as it is the same system used for that programme. It will be up to each individual participant to take it upon themselves to complete the package content. Participants can engage with the material at a time that suits them. Similar to the Level 6 programme, there is no fee to take part in the CPD for INCOs Programme. Participants will receive a certificate of completion that they will be able to download once they complete each package.



# **REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

In order to be eligible to participate in this programme, you must have graduated from the Leadership for INClusion in the Early Years (LINC) Level 6 Special Purpose Award.

# **HOW TO REGISTER**

Registration must be completed online at www.lincprogramme.ie. If you are currently participating in LINC+ you are not required to register again.

"I learned so much from participating in the CPD. I could

LINC+ Participant 2021

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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