The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) is committed to ensuring that all Victorian children can participate in high quality early childhood services, and providing extra support and early intervention where needed. Early childhood intervention services support children with a disability or developmental delay and their families from birth to school entry. They provide special education, therapy, counselling, service planning and coordination, assistance and support to access services such as kindergarten and child care. Services are tailored to meet the individual needs of the child and are focused on supporting the child in their natural environments, in their everyday experiences and activities. These services are funded by DEECD and provided by Specialist Children’s Services teams and other organisations.

The Early Childhood Intervention New Graduate Incentive Scheme supports recently graduated professionals to seek employment in DEECD funded early childhood intervention services.

What is available?

Financial support of up to $6000 to provide an incentive for recently graduated professionals to seek employment in a DEECD funded early childhood intervention service. Professionals eligible to apply for an incentive include:

- Dieticians
- Early Childhood Teachers
- Physiotherapists
- Psychologists
- Occupational Therapists
- Speech Pathologists
- Social Workers
- Parent Advisors for the Hearing Impaired

Incentives are available for graduates who have completed relevant undergraduate studies no earlier than two years prior to their application date and have commenced employment in a DEECD funded early childhood intervention service no earlier than one year prior to their application date. Incentive recipients will be required to enter into an agreement with the DEECD to maintain employment for a minimum of two years in a DEECD funded early childhood intervention service.

How to apply

For more information including application documentation and closing dates visit www.education.vic.gov.au/careers/earlychildhood/

Complete the application form attaching relevant paperwork and return to the address shown on the form or via email to early.years.workforce@edumail.vic.gov.au

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