

Early Years Professional self-assessment

This is the type of questionnaire the pathway providers will ask you to complete. Completing it will allow you to establish which pathway is best for you

Requirements	Yes		No	
A) I am physically and mentally fit to work as an Early Years Professional (EYP)				
B) I do not have a criminal background that might prevent me from working with children, or as an EYP, and have not previously been excluded (disqualified) from working with children.				
C) I hold a degree in Early Childhood Studies or an equivalent graduate qualification(s)				
D) I can provide evidence to show that I have achieved GCSEs at grade C or above (or recognised equivalents) in English Language and Mathematics				
E) I can read effectively and I am able to communicate clearly and accurately in standard english				
Experience	Often	Some times	Never	
I work with children in the 0-3 year range				
I work with children in the 3-5 year range				
I guide the work of other practitioners				
I know and understand the implications of Every Child Matters for babies, toddlers and young children				
I know and understand the implications of the Foundation Stage for children 3-5 years				
I know and understand the implications of Birth to Three Matters for children 0-3 years				
I am involved in leading and managing delivery of the Foundation Stage within my setting				
I am involved in leading and managing delivery of Birth to Three Matters in my setting				
I am involved in monitoring the work of other practitioners				
I influence the work of other practitioners				
I give feedback to other practitioners about effective practice in delivery of the Foundation Stage				
I give feedback to other practitioners about effective practice in delivery of Birth to Three Matters				
I work with other professionals beyond the setting in my work				
I use literacy, numeracy and ICT skills in my work				
I work collaboratively with other adults in my setting				
I understand how to assess children's progress and show others how to do this				
I work in partnership with parents/carers to improve outcomes for children				
I support other practitioners to work in partnership with parents/carers to improve outcomes for Children				

Identifying your pathway

- Validation pathway: I meet all the requirements and through my recent experience have most ticks in column 1 (Often) and no ticks in column 3 (Never)
- Short EPD pathway: I meet all the requirements and through my recent experience have most ticks in column 1 (Often) or 2 (Sometimes) and few ticks in column 3 (Never)
- Long EPD pathway: I do not meet requirement C but have a full level 5 qualification (e.g. a foundation degree), and through my recent experience have most ticks in column 1 (Often) or 2 (Sometimes) and few ticks in column 3 (Never)
- Full EPD pathway: I meet all the requirements and have very limited relevant experience with children from birth to five

There is no need to send this form to anyone – it's purely for your own use.
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