



NOTICE

HSE 'AN INTRODUCTION TO CHILDREN FIRST' E-LEARNING – CLASSROOM VERSION OF THE PROGRAMME IS NOW AVAILABLE -

The HSE Children First National Office is pleased to advise that a classroom version of the online E-Learning programme 'An Introduction to Children First' is now available to all HSE and HSE funded services to support the completion of the programme by staff who are unable to complete the online version due to computer access or literacy issues.

The HSE E-learning programme "An Introduction to Children First" is mandatory for **all** staff in HSE and HSE Funded agencies (permanent, temporary, agency, locum or visiting), students and volunteers, irrespective of role or grade.

The E-learning programme should, in the majority of cases, be completed online. However, in recognition that a small number of staff have access issues to completing the programme online (e.g. computer/internet access, computer literacy or general literacy difficulties) the HSE Children First National Office has converted the E-Learning programme so that it can be facilitated in a classroom setting.

The completion of this programme in a classroom setting is **only to be permitted as an exception to the rule** i.e. only if the staff member does not have the ability to complete the online version. All efforts, in the first instance, must be made to support the staff member to complete the online version before they are approved to undertake the classroom version.

All HSE funded services who require access to the classroom version of the E-Learning Programme are now invited to contact their local HSE Training and Development Officer linked to their organisations HSE funding area. Contact details are available here on the [HSE Children First website](#).

Please note:

Organisations will be required to:

- Nominate a member(s) of their own organisation to facilitate the delivery of the classroom version of the programme.
- Indicate the number of people that will require the classroom version of the programme – hard copy certificates will be provided only in accordance with the number of participants identified and on the basis that all efforts have been made to support participants to complete the programme online.

Classroom sessions for HSE personnel are being coordinated through the CHO or Hospital Group Children First Implementation Committees. Line Managers will be required to submit staff requests for this training. Please contact your local Children First Training and Development Officer for details.

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