

Aiming High for Disabled Children – Wiltshire Local Offer

Questions & Answers for Pro Rata Entitlement

Question 1: If I do not meet the access criteria for the whole year how will my entitlement be determined?

Answer: A pro rata entitlement for your money (if you have chosen the Local Offer Payment or Inclusion Support Fund) or your hours (if you have chosen the Barnardo’s short breaks service) will be calculated using Table 1. The values for each month were worked out from the number of non-school days in that month. We worked it out this way because of feedback from parents and carers that short breaks were used more during school holidays and weekends.

Table 1 – Local Offer Monthly Weightings

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
£	£70	£40	£40	£50	£110	£30	£50	£30	£60	£40	£50	£30	£600
Hours*	12	6	6	6	18	3	9	3	9	6	9	3	90

*All hours of entitlement are subject to availability.

Each month was rounded to the nearest £10 for ease of administration or the nearest 3 hours as the Barnardo’s sessions are 3 hours long.

To calculate your entitlement the money or hours for each month you are eligible for are added together.

Examples

- a) ***“I am eligible for the whole year and have chosen Barnardo’s.”***

You are entitled to the full 90 hours, subject to availability.

- b) ***“I am eligible from September and have chosen the Local Offer Payment.”***

You are entitled to £290.

(£30+£50+£30+£60+£40+£50+30 = £290)

- c) ***“I am eligible until I turn 18 in December and I have chosen Inclusion Support Fund.”***

You are entitled to £480.

(£70+£40+£40+£50+£110+£30+£50+£30+£60 = £480)

Question 2: If I choose the Local Offer Payment or Inclusion Support Fund the 2010-2011 leaflet it says “Applications for the first payment must be made before September (2010) or payment will be reduced accordingly” How will the reduced payment be calculated?

Answer: Your entitlement will be determined using Table 1 (see Question 1). For late applications for the Local Offer Payment or Inclusion Support Fund this is shown more clearly in Table 2 below:

Table 2 – Late Applications for Local Offer Payments / Inclusion Support Fund

Month application is received	1st Payment	2nd Payment	Total
On or before August 31 st 2010 (not late)	£400	£200	£600
September 2010	-	£290	£290
October 2010	-	£260	£260
November 2010	-	£210	£210
December 2010	-	£180	£180
January 2011	-	£120	£120
February 2011	-	£80	£80
March 2011	No payments will be made for applications received after February 28 th 2011		

Examples

- a) ***“I am eligible for the full year, my application was received in August and I chose the Local Offer Payment.”***

You were not late in applying so are entitled to the full payment. The first payment for £400 will be paid into your account as soon as possible. A second payment for £200 will be paid after you have sent us your monitoring form.

- b) ***“I am eligible for the full year and chose the Local Offer Payment but sent in my form late in September.”***

You have missed the first payment but will be entitled to £290 when the second payments are made.

- c) ***“I was eligible for the full year and want to choose the Inclusion Support Fund but did not apply until March 2011.”***

The last date any applications will be accepted is February 28th 2011 so you have missed both the first and the second payments.

PLEASE NOTE IT IS IMPORTANT YOUR APPLICATION IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 31ST AUGUST 2010 OTHERWISE YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE THE FULL AMOUNT OF MONEY.

Question 3: The Barnardo's service option offers 90 hours for a whole year, how many hours will my entitlement be if I apply part way through the year?

Answer: The 90 hour entitlement is for a full 12 months (starting April 2010), for applications received after the August 31st 2010 deadline your entitlement will be reduced on a pro rata basis using Table 1 (see Question 1). For late applications for the Barnardo's Short Breaks Service this is shown more clearly in Table 3 below:

Table 3 – Late Applications for Barnardo's Short Breaks Service

Month application is received	Hours (subject to availability)
On or before August 31 st 2010 (not late)	90
September 2010	42
October 2010	39
November 2010	30
December 2010	27
January 2011	18
February 2011	12
March 2011	No entitlement will apply for applications received after February 28 th 2011

Examples

- a) ***“I am eligible for the full year, my application was received in August and I chose Barnardo's.”***

You were not late in applying and are entitled to the full 90 hours subject to availability. Please note that as you applied in August and will therefore most likely not start using the Barnardo's service until after the summer school holidays it may be difficult for Barnardo's to have 90 hours available for you this year.

- b) *“I am eligible for the full year and chose Barnardo’s but sent in my form late in October.”*

You are entitled to 39 hours subject to availability.

- c) *“I was eligible for the full year and want to choose Barnardo’s but did not apply until March 2011.”*

The last date any applications will be accepted is February 28th 2011.

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Question 4: What happens if I only meet the access criteria part way through the year?

Answer: If you only meet the access criteria part way through the year the following rules apply:

1. If you are not eligible at the point of application and will not become eligible prior to April 2011 no entitlement will apply.
2. If you have selected the Local Offer Payment or Inclusion Support Fund your total payment will be reduced pro rata according to Table 1 (see above). For applicants who only meet the access criteria part way through the year, this is shown more clearly in Table 4a below:

Table 4a – Late Eligibility for Local Offer Payments / Inclusion Support Fund

Month eligibility begins	1st Payment	2nd payment	Total
April 2010 (or before)	£400	£200	£600
May 2010	£330	£200	£530
June 2010	£290	£200	£490
July 2010	£250	£200	£450
August 2010	£200	£200	£400
September 2010	-	£290	£290
October 2010	-	£260	£260
November 2010	-	£210	£210
December 2010	-	£180	£180
January 2011		£120	£120
February 2011		£80	£80
March 2011	No payments will be made for applicants who become eligible after February 28 th 2011		

3. If you have selected the Barnardo's Service the hours you are entitled to will be reduced pro rata according to Table 1 (see above). For applicants who only meet the access criteria part way through the year, this is shown more clearly in Table 4b below:

Table 4b – Late Eligibility for Barnardo's Short Breaks Service

Month eligibility begins	Hours (subject to availability)
April 2010 (or before)	90
May 2010	78
June 2010	72
July 2010	66
August 2010	60
September 2010	42
October 2010	39
November 2010	30
December 2010	27
January 2011	18
February 2011	12
March 2011	No entitlement will apply for applicants who become eligible after February 28 th 2011

Examples

- a) ***“I was eligible in May but am not any more and am not going to become eligible later in the year. Can I apply?”***

You are not eligible at the point of application and you are not going to be eligible later in the year so your may not apply.

- b) ***“I became eligible in June and I would like the Local Offer Payment.”***

You are entitled to a £490 (see table 4a). The 1st payment will be £290 and the second payment will be £200.

- c) ***“I am not eligible now but will be in November. I would like to choose Barnardo's.”***

You are entitled to 30 hours subject to availability.

Question 5: In the 2010-2011 leaflet the Access Criteria says eligibility is limited to ages 0-17 years. How does this work if a young person has their 18th birthday during the year?

Answer: To determine entitlement the following rules are applied:

1. No entitlement will apply where applications are made after the young person turns 18 years.
2. If you have selected the Local Offer Payment or Inclusion Support Funding your total payment will be reduced pro rata according to Table 1 (see above). For young people who turn 18 part way through the year this is shown more clearly in table 5a below:

Table 5a – 18th Birthday this Year: Payments / Inclusion Support Fund

Month of 18th Birthday	1st Payment	2nd payment	Total
Prior to application	-	-	£0
July 2010	£200	-	£200
August 2010	£310	-	£310
September 2010	£340	-	£340
October 2010	£390	-	£390
November 2010	£420	-	£420
December 2010	£400	£80	£480
January 2011	£400	£120	£520
February 2011	£400	£170	£570
March 2011	£400	£200	£600

3. If you have selected the Barnardo's Service the hours you are entitled to will be reduced pro rata according to Table 1 (see above). Once the young person turns 18 they are no longer eligible to go to the Barnardo's service and any unused hours will be lost. For young people who turn 18 part way through the year the pro rata hours entitlement is shown more clearly in table 5b below:

Table 5b – 18th Birthday this Year: Barnardo's Short Break Service

Month of 18th Birthday (or month during which eligibility ends)	Hours (subject to availability)
Prior to application	None
July 2010	30
August 2010	48
September 2010	51
October 2010	60
November 2010	63

December 2010	72
January 2011	78
February 2011	87
March 2011	90

Examples

- a) ***“I had my 18th birthday in June, can I apply?”***

A young person who has already had their 18th birthday is not eligible to apply.

- b) ***“I am 18 in January and would like the Local Offer Payment.”***

You are entitled to a £520 (see table 5a). The 1st payment will be £400 and the second payment will be £120.

- c) ***“I am 18 in September and I would like to choose Barnardo’s.”***

In principle you are entitled to 51 hours, however if you are not already attending the Barnardo’s service this may not be a practical choice for you because any unused hours will be lost once you become 18 and there may be a short delay before you can start going to Barnardo’s as your details are being processed.

Question 6: None of the above questions seem to explain what my entitlement would be. How can I work it out?

Answer: Table 1 from Question 1 (see above) will generally be used to work out pro rata entitlements. Please see below some more complicated examples:

Examples

- a) ***“I am eligible in September and turn 18 in January. I would like the Local Offer Payment”***

You are entitled to a payment for the months September – January. This is £30+£50+£30+£60+£40 = £210

- b) ***“What if my application is received late in October, I am 18 in February and I would like to go to the Barnardo’s service?”***

Subject to availability you would be entitled to hours at Barnardo’s for the months October – February. This is 9+3+9+6+9 = 36 hours.

However you would not be eligible to attend the service once you are 18 and any unused hours will be lost.

- c) ***“What if I became eligible in July, my application is late, received in September, I am 18 in November and I have chosen Inclusion Support Fund.”***

You are entitled to a fund for the months September - November. This is £30+£50+£30= £110

Question 7: The Barnardo’s service is available only to children and young people aged 8 -17. How does this work if a child who is currently 7 but will become 8 before March 31st 2011 wants to choose Barnardo’s?

Answer: If the child’s 8th Birthday is no later than 31st August 2010 then the application for Barnardo’s will be processed in the normal way. The full entitlement of 90 hours will apply (provided the application is not late the child was eligible from April 1st 2010) subject to availability.

If the child’s 8th Birthday is on or after 1st September 2011 then the entitlement for hours with Barnardo’s will be determined using the pro rata system from the month after they turn 8 and a payment will be offered using the pro rata system for the months up to and including their 8th Birthday.

Examples

- a) ***“I am 8 in August and want to choose Barnardo’s”***

You are entitled to 90 hours subject to availability but may not attend the service until you are 8.

- b) ***“I am 8 in October and want to choose Barnardo’s”***

You are entitled to £390 for the months April – Oct and 30 hours for the months Nov – March subject to availability but may not attend the service until you are 8.