

New 30 Hour Eligibility Checking Website

Childcare Choices, the cross-government childcare brand and campaign has launched today, providing parents with a single point of information for all the government funded childcare offers, including the two new offers: 30hours free childcare and Tax Free Childcare.

Launch of new Childcare Choices website means parents now able to find available government support.

Millions of parents can pre-register from today for the government's new childcare offers, with the launch of a new Childcare Choices government website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk.

The introduction of the government's Tax-Free Childcare scheme will begin on 28 April, for parents of the youngest children. It will be gradually rolled out over 2017 – cutting childcare costs for working families across the UK by up to £2,000 per child per year, or £4,000 for disabled children.

On top of this, from September this year parents of three and four year old children living in England will be able to apply for a new 30 hours free childcare offer, worth around £5,000 per child.

The Childcare Choices website includes a Childcare Calculator (www.gov.uk/childcare-calculator) for parents to compare all the government's childcare offers and check what works best for their families.

Through the site parents can also pre-register for email alerts that will notify them when they can apply, as well as providing details of existing government childcare offers.