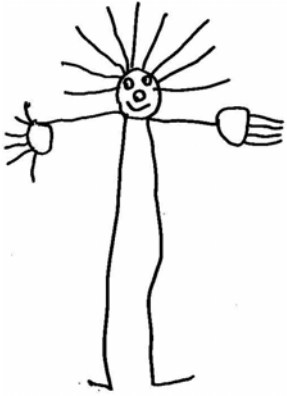


FAMILY CENTRE



Family Centres work alongside families to actively promote opportunities for good childhood experiences, challenge disadvantage and exclusion, and help children and their carers to achieve their full

potential within the context of the family and community.

Services are registered with the Scottish Commission for the Regulation of Care (commonly known as the Care Commission). Qualified staff must be registered with an appropriate registering body and all staff must have an enhanced disclosure.

Who operates them?

Family centres are mainly operated by established charitable or voluntary organisations e.g. Barnardo's, Aberlour Child Care Trust, One Parent Families Scotland.

Aims of a Family Centre

Each centre has individual aims and objectives. A common aim is to work with families with young children who require additional support. Centres can challenge the reasons why families may be excluded within a community, help develop parental and/or social skills, and increase inclusion.

Services to Families

Centres provide support and advice for parents and specialised intensive work with more vulnerable children and their families.

- play sessions
- respite
- parenting support
- infant massage
- art therapy
- counselling
- family work
- mentoring
- transition support
- nurture groups

Tips and Information

Further details regarding Registration & Inspection, Questions to ask and other Top Tips can be found in Falkirk Childcare Information Service Making Choices leaflet. Please phone and ask for a copy or download from Falkirk Council website. This leaflet is also available in Cantonese and Urdu.

How do I find a Family Centre?

Falkirk Childcare Information Service can provide you with full details and also a wide range of information on childcare provision, pre-school education and childcare issues.

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