

Essential but undervalued: early years care and education during COVID-19



Wednesday 23 February 2022, 16:00 - 17:00 GMT

Leeds University Business School is delighted to invite you to this Ideas in Practice event which marks the conclusion of the Childcare during COVID project.

In this webinar, the team launch the report 'Essential, but undervalued: early years staff and families during the COVID-19 pandemic' and discuss the challenges and opportunities for the future of early childhood education and care.

This major study has examined the effect of the pandemic on the early years sector, its workforce, and the families who rely on it. It draws on two waves of surveys with 5,542 responses and 321 interviews with 197 participants including nursery managers and workers, childminders, nannies, parents and grandparents. The findings demonstrate the financial pressures experienced within the sector, their uneven impact and the ways in which the pandemic has exacerbated existing intra- and inter-household inequalities.

Speakers include:

- Helen Hayes MP, Shadow Minister (Education)
- Dr Kate Hardy, Project PI, Associate Professor, Leeds University Business School
- Professor Jennifer Tomlinson, Project PI, Professor of Gender and Employment Relations, Leeds University Business School
- Research presentation and panel discussion will be followed by audience Q&A.



Helen Hayes MP

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