

FAQs – Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children – P (EIPIC-P)
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GENERAL ENQUIRIES

1. What is the Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children – P (EIPIC-P)?

The Early Intervention Programmes for Infants and Children – P (EIPIC-P) (previously known as enhanced Pilot for Private Intervention Providers (PPIP) programme) is a government-funded programme which supports children who require medium to high levels of Early Intervention (EI) support in a group-based setting. It aims to increase the developmental growth potential of the child, minimise the development of secondary disabilities, and maximise integration into mainstream settings. The EIPIC-P programme provides parents with an alternative for children who have been referred to the Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children (EIPIC). Children enrolled in the EIPIC-P programme will receive subsidies that will help to partially defray the cost of the EI services received by the appointed private EI operators, for children who are referred via SG Enable. The EIPIC-P programme is administered by the Early Childhood Development Agency (ECDA), which is part of the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF).

2. What is the difference between EIPIC@Centre and EIPIC-P programme?

Both programmes are Government-funded offering similar services to children requiring medium to high levels of EI support. EIPIC is provided by SSA operators, while EIPIC-P is provided by private sector operators.

Both EIPIC and EIPIC-P programmes are delivered by a team of professionals including EI educators, therapists, psychologists and social workers. Children typically receive 5 to 12 hours of intervention conducted over 2 to 3 sessions every week.

Similarities and Differences between EIPIC and EIPIC-P		
Similarities		
Age group	0 to below 7 years old	
Average intervention hours	5 to 12 hours per week, depending on the child’s needs	
Progress monitoring of child	Individual Education Plan for each child, with goals set in consultation with parents and relevant professionals.	
Differences		
Scope	EIPIC	EIPIC-P
Staff to Student Ratio	1:1 intervention to small group setting, depending on the child’s needs.	1:9 or lower in a small group setting
Service Group	All service groups	Most service groups (Please refer to <i>Guide to EIPIC-P</i>)
Professionals involved in intervention	EI educators and Allied Health Professionals	EI educators and selected Allied Health Professionals (Please refer to <i>Guide to EIPIC-P</i>)
Fees (after subsidy) Note: fees indicated is only applicable for those with a valid Means-Test result.	Up to • \$430 for Singapore Citizens and	Up to • \$730 for Singapore Citizens and

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,270 for Permanent Residents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1,950 for Permanent Resident
Setting	<p>Delivered at SSA-run EI centres and home-based* setting if needed (*mainly as an interim for those who are medically frail, or family circumstances make it difficult to attend centre-based programme, to transit the child eventually to group setting at the EI centre)</p>	Delivered at private EI centres.

3. Which are the Private EI Centres appointed to operate the EIPIC-P?

As of 1 July 2023, the list of appointed EIPIC-P operators are as follows: -

1. AaytoZee@Hillview Pte. Ltd.
2. AaytoZee Learning Cove Pte. Ltd.
3. AaytoZee Learning Intervention LLP
4. ABC Center Pte. Ltd. @ Mountbatten
5. ABC Center Pte. Ltd. @ Phoenix Park
6. Bridging Stars
7. Bridging the Gap Pte. Ltd. @ Buona Vista
8. Bridging the Gap Pte. Ltd. @ City Square Mall
9. Bright Path Inclusive Preschool
10. HeadStart for Life @ Katong
11. HeadStart for Life @ Novena
12. Ichiban Nurtureland Pte. Ltd.
13. KidzMonte Child Development Centre
14. Leapfrogs Pte. Ltd.
15. MindChamps Allied Care @ Holland V Pte. Ltd.
16. MindChamps Allied Care @ Marina Square Pte. Ltd.
17. MindChamps Allied Care @ Serangoon Gardens Pte Limited
18. MindChamps Allied Care Svcs Pte Ltd. @ Bukit Panjang Junction 10
19. Ovspring Developmental Clinic Pte. Ltd.
20. SAIL PlayHouse Pte. Ltd.
21. The Schoolhouse by Busy Bees @ Kovan
22. The SKILT Centre @ Bukit Timah
23. The SKILT Centre @ Upper Thomson
24. Train Kids Early Intervention and Educare Centre LLP @ Tampines
25. Train Kids Early Intervention and Educare Centre LLP @ Woodlands
26. Twinklekidz @ Bendemeer Pte. Ltd.
27. Twinklekidz International Schoolhouse Pte. Ltd.
28. Zee Juniors
29. Zee Learning Cove

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More information on the approved programmes and fees can be located on the [Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children - P page](#).

4. How are Private EI Centres selected to participate in the EIPIC-P?

EIPIC-P operators are appointed by ECDA, following a selection process through a call for invitation issued to interested private EI centres to submit their proposals. This is to ensure that the appointed operators provide relevant and quality of services at an affordable fee. This covers a review of the programme design, staff qualifications, child safety and geographical spread of the centres. Appointed centres will be contracted to run the EIPIC-P programme for a stipulated period.

ELIGIBILITY AND REFERRAL

5. Who is eligible for the EIPIC-P programme?

Your child must be a Singapore Citizen or Permanent Resident, aged below 6 years old, and must be referred to SG Enable for EIPIC by the Department of Child Development at KK Women's and Children's Hospital (KKH DCD) or Child Development Unit at National University Hospital (NUH CDU) or a private paediatrician.

The EIPIC-P programme will cease when the child is:

- (a) enrolled in a mainstream or special education school; or
- (b) enrolled in another Government-funded EIPIC centre or Development Support and Learning Support (DS-LS) programme or Inclusive Support Programme (InSP); or
- (c) no longer enrolled in the approved programme by the EIPIC-P operator; or
- (d) 7 years old and above (the last subsidy pay-out is when the child is 6 years and 11months).

6. How do I get referred into the EIPIC-P programme?

If your child is referred to SG Enable from the KKH Department of Child Development, NUH Child Development Unit or a private paediatrician, SG Enable will contact you to share more information on the various EI programme options.

If you are keen to enrol your child into the EIPIC-P programme, your assigned SG Enable officer will assist you to make a referral to your preferred EIPIC-P operator. Your child's enrolment is subjected to suitability and vacancies in the selected EIPIC-P centre. Please refer to the [Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children – P page](#) for more information.

If you are already enrolled in an EIPIC/EIPIC-P or DS-LS or InSP programme, we highly encourage you to continue in your current programme. If you would still like to consider the EIPIC-P programme, you may approach your child's assigned SG Enable officer, or cd.services@sgenable.sg for a referral to the programme.

7. How do I choose a suitable EIPIC-P programme for my child?

SG Enable will assist you to make an informed decision regarding the choice of EIPIC-P programme for your child, taking into consideration factors such as location of the centre, types of services offered by centres (e.g., therapy, transport), estimated wait time to enrolment, and caregiver presence requirement. Once you have decided on the preferred EIPIC-P programme, SG Enable will make a referral to the programme.

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Please note that your child's successful enrolment into the EIPIC-P programme is subjected to the suitability to the programme and availability of vacancy at the centre.

8. What should I do if my preferred EIPIC-P programme has no vacancy?

Please follow up with your assigned SG Enable officer, or cd.services@sgenable.sg for alternatives, which could include other EIPIC-P programmes.

9. Am I able to enrol my child in the EIPIC-P programme if my child is on the EIPIC waitlist?

Each child can only be referred to one Government-funded EI programme and centre at any one time, to ensure children have an optimal chance to enrol early. Hence parents/caregivers are advised to carefully consider the best option for the children in selecting any of the choice of EIPIC and EIPIC-P centres.

If you wish to enrol your child into the EIPIC-P, you must first withdraw from their current EIPIC waitlist. Your assigned SG Enable officer will then assist you to make a referral to your preferred EIPIC-P operator.

Please refer to the Enabling Guide for more information.

10. My child is enrolled in an EIPIC/ EIPIC-P programme but I would like to explore another EIPIC-P programme. What should I do?

If you are already enrolled in an EIPIC/ EIPIC-P programme, we highly encourage you to continue your child with the current programme. Please work closely with the current operator to discuss how they could best support you and your child.

However, if you would still like to consider another EIPIC-P programme, you may approach your assigned SG Enable officer for a transfer to the new programme. If there is a suitable and available EIPIC-P programme for your child, please inform your existing operator at least 1 month before the intended date of discharge. You can only enrol in the new EIPIC-P programme in the next calendar month after discharge from the existing programme. You may also wish to share your child's existing Individual Education Plans to the new EIPIC-P operator for them to have a better understanding of your child's needs.

FEE SUBSIDY

11. What is the Out-of-Pocket (OOP) Fees?

Net fees payable according to the monthly per capita household income tier. Please check in with your EIPIC-P operator on the OOP fees payable if you do not wish to be means-tested/ are opting out of means-testing. You may also tap on the Baby Bonus scheme to offset the remaining EIPIC-P programme fees.

OTHERS

12. I run a private EI centre and I am interested to be an EIPIC-P operator. What is the application process and criteria?

The call for providers for the EIPIC-P Programme is currently closed. Please look out for the next call from ECDA. In the meantime, you may email ECDA_EI@ecda.gov.sg to indicate your interest.