



# The EYFS Progress Check at Two

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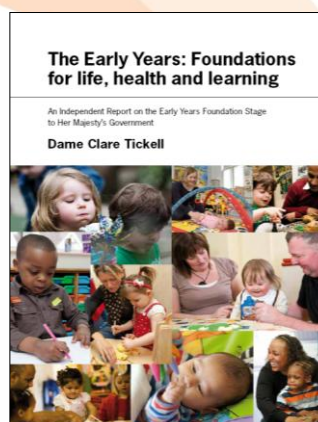


## Background

### Tickell Review:

- 'I recommend that the EYFS should include a requirement for practitioners, including childminders, to provide on request to parents and carers, at some point between the ages of 24 – 36 months, a short written early years summary of their child's development in the prime areas.'

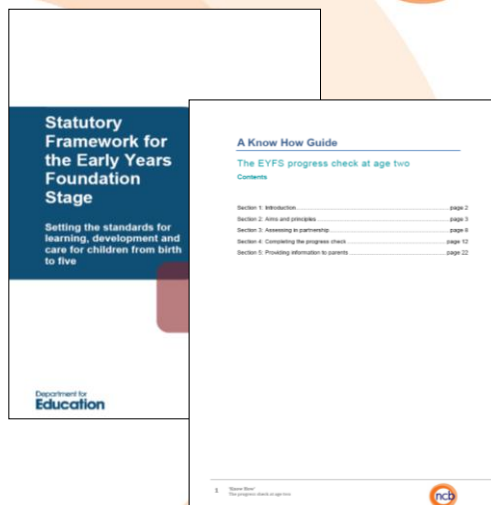
Key reason for progress check =  
**early intervention**



## Policy and implementation



- The progress check is a statutory requirement of the revised EYFS
- The NCB was asked to assist the DfE in writing supporting materials for practitioners. *A Know How Guide: The EYFS progress check at age two.*
- Process was overseen by the Early Years Co-Production group: representatives from national organisations.



## What are the statutory requirements?



Practitioners **must**:

- **review** the progress of the child when they are aged between 24 and 36 months
- Provide parents with a **short written summary** of their development in the **three prime areas** (PSE, PD and C&L)
- In the written summary, identify the child's **strengths** and any areas where **progress is less than expected** and **describe the actions** the provider intends to take to address any concerns.
- **Discuss with parents** how the child's learning and development can be **supported at home**.

Summarised from The Statutory Framework for the EYFS, 2012

## What is good practice around the progress check?



The EYFS progress check at two should:

- Begin with high quality ongoing observational assessment.
- Be based on what the child can do consistently and independently, led by their preferences and interests.
- Incorporate the views of parents, other practitioners and, where relevant, other professionals working with the child.
- Be carried out by a practitioner who knows the child well. This should normally be the child's key person.

## How does this relate to health?



***EYFS Progress Check at Two – not to be confused with the Healthy Child Programme Two Year Review!***

**At present – June 2012:**

<p><b>Healthy Child Programme Two Year Review</b></p> <p>Existing policy, but some gaps in delivery.</p>	<p><b>EYFS Progress Check at Two</b></p> <p>New policy, to be implemented Sept 2012</p>	<p><b>Planned integrated education and health review at 2 to 2.5 years</b></p> <p>Currently in development: to be implemented 2015.</p>
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## The EYFS Progress Check and Health



- Practitioners need to be aware of local arrangements for the Healthy Child Programme Two Year Review.
- Whenever possible the progress check should be carried out **before** the Healthy Child Programme review. This may not be possible if a child joins a setting after age two.
- Parents are encouraged to hand the written summary of the progress check to their Health Visitor, to feed into the Healthy Child Programme review.
- Practitioners must have parental consent to share information directly with other professionals.

## What are the key workforce training implications of the progress check?



Discuss training implications for settings in your area, for example:

- Working with parents
- Child Development
- Assessment
- Working with other professionals



## Resources

- A Know How Guide: The EYFS Progress Check at Two
- <http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/early-years-foundation-stage-2012>
- Frequently Asked Questions:
- [www.ncb.org.uk/ey/eyfs/faqs](http://www.ncb.org.uk/ey/eyfs/faqs)