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Colleges Key to Delivering Additional Childcare Places

Commenting on the Scottish Government's announcement by Maree Todd, Minister for Childcare and Early Years, that colleges and universities will increase childcare training places in 2018/19, Shona Struthers, Chief Executive of Colleges Scotland, said:

"Colleges have a key role in helping to deliver the Scottish Government's commitment to almost doubling early learning and childcare provision by increasing the number of available training places for early learning courses to meet the demand.

"Colleges have a long history of successfully delivering these courses and producing work-ready graduates who are dedicated to helping give children the best start in life.

"This policy will reap great benefits not only for children's learning, but for Scotland's wider society and economy by enabling parents to return to work and help redress the gender balance in the workforce, particularly for mothers who wish to gain employment, retrain and upskill."

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