

How to join?

To participate in the TOY for Quality Programme you need to do the following:

- Get in contact with a TOY expert and ask to participate in the TOY for Quality Programme.
- You will receive access to a restricted area of the TOY website, where you will be able to download the TOY for Quality guidelines and tool.
- Follow the guidelines and the information provided by the TOY expert.





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TOGETHER OLD AND YOUNG





Together Old and Young for Quality

Do you bring older adults and young children together in your service or organisation or would you like to do this? Are you interested in improving the quality of your intergenerational learning practice? If the answer to any of these questions is 'yes', then the TOY for Quality Programme is for you!

The TOY for Quality Programme provides a simple, low-cost and user-friendly assessment tool for measuring the quality of intergenerational learning practice, and highlights areas for improvement.

The Programme is part of the Together Old and Young (TOY) approach to intergenerational learning. TOY brings young children (0-8) and older adults together to share experiences, have fun, learn from each other and develop meaningful relationships.



Who is the TOY for Quality Programme for?

Service providers in early childhood education and care, social care, and community work, as well as local authorities offering or planning to offer intergenerational learning programmes.



How does it work?

The TOY for Quality Programme is based on an assessment process made of five steps, which include a group reflection with staff and volunteers, discussions with young children, their parents and older adults about their experiences of the intergenerational learning initiative, and an online meeting with the TOY experts. At least one member of the organisation participating in the assessment process should have completed the online TOY Course, titled "Together Old and Young: An Intergenerational Approach".



What's in it for you?

By participating in the TOY for Quality Programme:

- Your organization will be a pioneer in assessing the quality of intergenerational learning initiatives and you can demonstrate their potential.
- Staff, volunteers and beneficiaries in your initiative will be supported to reflect on their practice and improve the quality of intergenerational learning activities.
- Your initiative will be mentioned on the TOY website and you will be free to mention TOY in your own communications.
- You will be part of an international community of practice and have access to the TOY resources, including the TOY online course and publications.
- You will be recognised in your community as an organisation delivering quality intergenerational initiatives.

The **TOY** for Quality Programme in five steps

