

# The Critical Reflection Conference

## Time & Venue

Tuesday, 18 February 2020  
9:30 am - 4:00 pm

### Tram Sheds Function Centre

4 Invermay Road,  
Invermay  
TASMANIA

## Apply via email

To book a place please email  
[grants.ecu@education.tas.gov.au](mailto:grants.ecu@education.tas.gov.au)

By close of business on  
**Friday, 22 January  
2020**

## Presenter:

**Jennifer Ribarovski**

The Education and Care Unit (ECU) is pleased to offer **30 fully funded places** through the ECU's Grant Program for the education and care sector to participate in the Critical Reflection professional development day presented by JR Education Consulting Services to be held in Launceston.

## Overview

Critical reflection is a key feature of the National Quality Framework, as it strongly influences quality in education and care settings, and contributes to ongoing quality improvement. Educators who understand how to critically reflect on practice are able to identify areas for practice improvement and contribute to improved learning and development outcomes for children. Both the Early Years Learning Framework and My Time Our Place refer to ongoing learning and reflective practice as one of the principles that effective education and care is influenced by. This is also highlighted in Element 1.2.3 of the National Quality Standard - 'critical reflection on children's learning and development, both as individuals and in groups, is regularly used to implement the program'. This conference is designed to build educator's capacity to understand what it means to critically reflect on practice.

## During the day, you will:

- Learn about what makes reflection critical.
- Apply the principles of critical reflection to practice scenarios.
- Think about how our own perspectives influence our curriculum decisions, and learn how to recognise them.
- Consider strategies to build a culture of inquiry at your service, to support ongoing critical reflection.
- Learn about the links between critical reflection and improved learning and development outcomes for children.
- Discuss how to make critical reflection evident in your practice, so that you can be confident in demonstrating this in Assessment and Rating.

# EDUCATION AND CARE

## Contact details:

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## Morning tea and lunch included

Please notify the ECU of  
dietary requirements

## Presenter

Jennifer Ribarovski has over thirty years' experience in the education and care sector. Her roles have included NSW State Operations Manager for the NSW Regulatory Authority and the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) as a senior advisor. Jennifer has trained authorised officers across Australia in the assessment and rating process and worked with state and territory governments on national policy in the implementation of the National Quality Framework.

## Requirements

- Places will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis.
- The service must be able to commit to attendance on the day.
- A nomination of 1 person per service and a maximum of 2 persons per provider will be accepted. This will ensure participation from a range of education and care services.
- If the nominated person is unable to attend, a substitute may be nominated. The service is required to inform the ECU the name of the substitute attendee.
- Once a service has accepted a place, the nominated person or a substitute must attend or the service will incur the full fee inclusive of GST.
- Cancellations must be made to the ECU by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2020 for the fee to be waived.
- Participants will be required to complete a mandatory survey once the conference has concluded.
- Other costs associated with attendance i.e. travel, accommodation, wages and relief cover will not be covered by the ECU.