

Education and Care Unit COVID-19 Response Plan

The ECU is listening to the challenges that COVID-19 poses for education and care and child care providers and services. This plan outlines the approach we are taking and how we will support providers and services to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of children and quality educational outcomes for children and follow government advice in response to COVID-19, including during lockdowns.

EDUCATION AND CARE

The ECU COVID-19 Response Plan is informed by:

- The objectives and guiding principles of the [National Quality Framework \(NQF\)](#)
- The objectives of the [Child Care Act \(TAS\)](#)
- A collaborative and responsive regulatory approach
- Department of Education COVIDSafe policies
- The Tasmania's [COVID-19 Safe Workplaces Framework](#), including [COVID Safe Workplace Guidelines for Child Care Industry](#)
- Effective risk assessment and management processes
- Consultation with the ECEC sector

For **more information** please refer to the [Education and Care Unit](#) or the [Coronavirus Tasmania](#) websites.

This plan is subject to change as circumstances change. We will continue to communicate with you about any changes.

