

2020 Quality Learning Environments Program

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Program overview

The Quality Learning Environments (QLE) program aims to support eligible early childhood education services to improve their learning environments to positively impact experiences and outcomes for preschool aged children.

The QLE program allows not-for-profit community preschools (centre based and mobile) and not-for-profit long day cares to apply for grants of up to \$15,000 (ex GST). Grants can be used to purchase resources and activities which improve physical or educational learning environments. This may include quality improvement initiatives to meet the needs of services impacted by bushfire and recent severe weather events or other emergency situations such as COVID-19.

Improvements to physical learning environments can include the completion of minor capital works and investment in infrastructure items. Improvements to the educational learning environment can include specialised educational programs and activities.

Applications must demonstrate a link between proposed resources and activities and the service's identified areas for improvement, outlined in their Self-Assessment documentation or Quality Improvement Plan.

Applications will be assessed against the eligibility criteria, application requirements and spending rules.

Application process and requirements

Applications should include:

- a request for up to three resources or activities to a total of \$15,000 (excluding GST)
- a description of the requested resource or activity
- one quote per resource or activity, including an ABN and the total cost with GST clearly indicated
- a description of how the requested resource or activity will improve the physical or educational learning environment by supporting the objectives in the service's Self-Assessment documentation or Quality Improvement Plan and the National Quality Standards
- a description of how the funding will be used to improve the learning environment for the primary benefit of preschool aged children.

Eligibility Criteria

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Services are only eligible to apply for QLE funding once per service approval (for mobile preschools, you can only apply under the Service Approval of your parent service, not the mobile venues).

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Is the service a not-for-profit community preschool (centre-based or mobile) or not-for-profit long day care (as identified in the National Quality Agenda IT System or where other sufficient evidence is provided upon request; and including local government managed services) operating in NSW? *

- Yes
 No

Is the service an approved early childhood education and care service under the Education and Care Services National Law and Regulations or the Supplementary Provisions Act? *

- Yes
 No

Does the service deliver an early childhood education program designed by a degree qualified early childhood teacher in accordance with The Early Years Learning Framework under the National Partnership Agreement on Early Childhood Education? *

- Yes
 No

You cannot proceed with this application

Based on the information you provided the services is considered ineligible for the Quality Learning Environments program.

Please review the eligibility criteria as per the program guidelines.

If you require assistance, please contact the Department by phone on 1300 755 426 or email at ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au.

Applicant Details

* indicates a required field

Primary Contact Details

Primary contact - Name *

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Position *

Email *

Must be an email address.

Phone Number *

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Must be an Australian phone number.
Must contain 10 digits e.g. 0291231234 or 0412345678

Organisation Details

Approved Provider Name *

Organisation Name

Please provide exact name as per NQAITS portal

ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN.

Approved Provider ID (PR-12345678) - Numbers only *

Must be a whole number (no decimal place).
Please do not enter any letters (PR). Any zero's appearing at the front of the provider ID will not appear.

Service Name *

Organisation Name

As per NQAITS

Service ID (SE-12345678) - Numbers only *

Must be a whole number (no decimal place).
Please do not enter any letters (SE). Any zero's appearing at the front of the service ID will not appear.

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Service address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Payment Timing

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Early payment will be available to those services who require urgent funding and lodge their application by **24 July 2020**.

Early payments cannot be made for applications lodged after the 24 July 2020.

Does the service require urgent funding? *

- Yes
 No

Reason for requesting urgent funding

What has lead to the request for urgent funding? *

- Bushfire
 Severe weather events
 Impacts of COVID-19
 Other:

Spending Rules

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You can apply for:

- minor capital works - renovations and repairs to existing buildings or premises
- infrastructure items - large items that form part of the physical environment of the service (such as mud kitchens, outdoor sports equipment, large furniture items or portable air conditioners)
- incursions and/or excursions - the delivery of a specialised education program by an external provider within the service or outside of the service

You cannot apply for:

- purchasing small resources such as books, toys, puzzles, cushions, clothing or gardening tools
- professional development activities

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- trampolines
- general refurbishment solely for aesthetic reasons
- landscape design or garden maintenance solely for aesthetic reasons
- resources already funded by the Department through another Early Childhood Education Directorate program, such as Start Strong Capital Works or Minor Capital Works as part of the Disability and Inclusion Program
- IT equipment such as digital cameras, electronic white boards, video cameras, tablets, and computers
- office equipment such as photocopiers and fax machines
- staff resources such as kitchen appliances and parking spaces
- staff salaries and related staffing costs (i.e. annual leave)
- upgrades to mobile venues that are not owned by the provider.

I have read and agree to the spending rules associated with this program *

I agree

Resource /Activity 1

* indicates a required field

Resource/Activity 1

Please complete this section for each proposed resource/activity. For each additional resource/activity please see the last question. Services can apply for up to three resources/activities. The total of all resources/activities can be up to \$15,000 (excluding GST).

Which of the following categories does this resource/activity relate to: *

- Minor capital works – renovations and repairs to existing buildings or premises
- Infrastructure item – large items that form part of the physical environment of the service (such as mud kitchens, outdoor sports equipment, large furniture items or portable air conditioners)
- Incursions and/or excursions – the delivery of a specialised education program by an external provider within the service or outside of the service

Brief description of proposed resource/activity *

Must be no more than 10 words.

Please describe the resource/activity in more detail *

Which National Quality Standard and Element does the resource/activity relate to? *

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Please outline how the requested resource/activity links to the service's Self-Assessment documentation or Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) including: the intended outcome the service is seeking and how the service will achieve this outcome *

How will the resource/activity improve the learning environment and outcomes for preschool aged children (3-5 years)? *

Amount requested for this resource/activity (ex GST) *

Must be a dollar amount.

Please attach relevant quote *

Attach a file:

Quotes must include an ABN, clearly indicate GST, a breakdown of individual components and a total cost. Shopping carts and catalogues will be accepted as quotes provided they meet the requirements outlined previously and clearly indicate the items that the service intends to purchase.

Please enter the ABN on your quote *

If the quotes you have contain multiple ABNs please enter these separated by a comma

Does the attached quote clearly indicate GST? *

Yes

Add another resource/activity *

Yes

No, I'm finished

Resource/Activity 2

* indicates a required field

Resource/Activity 2

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Please enter the ABN on your quote *

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Does the attached quote clearly indicate GST? *

Yes

Add another resource/activity *

Yes

No, I'm finished

Resource/Activity 3

* indicates a required field

Resource/Activity 3

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Which of the following categories does this resource/activity relate to: *

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Does the attached quote clearly indicate GST? *

Yes

Budget

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The Quality Learning Environments (QLE) program allows not-for-profit community preschools (centre based and mobile) and not-for-profit long day cares to apply for grants of up to three resources or activities to a total of \$15,000 (ex GST).

Total amount of QLE funding being requested for resources/activities (up to \$15,000 excluding GST) *

\$

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This number/amount is calculated.

I confirm that if the total cost of the project exceeds \$15,000 (ex GST) the service is able to finance the shortfall. *

I agree

Tick the box to confirm statement

Applicant's declaration

* indicates a required field

I confirm that the information provided is complete, correct and accurate *

Yes

Tick the box to confirm the statement

I confirm that if the application is successful the service will keep evidence of the expenses as a part of the acquittal process *

Yes

Tick the box to confirm the statement

I confirm that the resources/activities have not been funded by the Department through another Early Childhood Education Directorate program *

Yes

Tick the box to confirm the statement

Authorised Representative *

First Name

Last Name

Date *

Must be a date.