

2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care - New Services

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Overview

About this Form

This form is for the approved providers of a service that opened on or after the June 2025 data capture period and services who were not captured in the June 2025 data capture. Providers with eligible 3YO and 4YO+ children are invited to apply for funding under the [2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care program](#).

You must be an authorised representative of the Approved Provider to complete the 2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care - New Services form. An authorised representative is a person nominated to act on behalf of the Approved Provider.

You will need to complete a separate 2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care - New Services form for each service as requested by the department.

Disclaimer

The Approved Provider acknowledges and agrees that:

- they have read the [2026-start-strong-for-long-day-care-program-guidelines](#) and the fee relief spending rules under the [9.4 4YO+ Fee Relief Payment and 3YO Fee Relief Trial Payment spending rules](#);
- they are not required to provide fee relief to families until funding eligibility has been confirmed, or funding has been received. Any decision to provide fee relief before confirmation of 2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care funding is an operational decision of the Approved Provider, and;
- the eligibility of a service remains at the absolute discretion of the department.

Approved Provider Details

* indicates a required field

Child Care Subsidy System Approval Confirmation

Are you an approved provider under the Child Care Subsidy System? *

- Yes
 No

Please provide your providers Child Care Subsidy Provider ID *

Must be equal to 10 characters.

This is not your service approval or provider approval number. This ID can be found in your letter of approval which can be viewed in "my inbox" in the Provider Entry Point [https://proda.humanservices.gov.au/prodalogin/pages/public/login.jsf?TAM_OP=login&ERROR_CODE=0x00000000&URL=%2F&OLDSSESSION=.](https://proda.humanservices.gov.au/prodalogin/pages/public/login.jsf?TAM_OP=login&ERROR_CODE=0x00000000&URL=%2F&OLDSSESSION=)

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This section is to confirm Approved Provider details.

Legal Name of Approved Provider *

Organisation Name

Per ABN lookup <https://abr.business.gov.au/>, refer to ABN field below.

Approved Provider ID *

Must be no more than 8 characters.

This must be your Approved Provider ID on NQAITs (<https://portal.nqaits.gov.au/SignIn?ReturnUrl=%2F>). Please enter the 8 digits following PR- e.g. if your Approved Provider ID is PR-12345678, enter 12345678. This is not your Child Care Subsidy (CCS) provider approval number.

ABN of Approved Provider

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.

This must be your Approved Provider ID on NQAITs (<https://portal.nqaits.gov.au/SignIn?ReturnUrl=%2F>)

Name of Person completing the New Services form *

First Name

Last Name

Must be an authorised representative of the Approved Provider.

Job title of Person completing the New Services form *

Eligibility Check

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You have indicated that the provider does not have approval under the Child Care Subsidy System (CCSS).

You are unable to proceed with the 2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care - New Services application form.

Please contact the department once you have CCSS approval via email ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au

Service Details

* indicates a required field

This section is to confirm Service details.

Service Name *

This must be the 'Trading Name' of your service, as recorded on NQAITs (<https://portal.nqaits.gov.au/SignIn?ReturnUrl=%2F>).

Service Approval ID *

Must be no more than 8 characters.

This must be your Service ID on NQAITs (<https://portal.nqaits.gov.au/SignIn?ReturnUrl=%2F>). Please enter the 8 digits following SE- e.g. if your Service ID is SE-12345678, enter 12345678. This is not your Child Care Subsidy (CCS) provider approval number.

Eligible children

* indicates a required field

4YO+ Fee Relief

Eligible 4YO+ children must be:

- the age of 4 years old on, or before, 31 July 2026 (the child's birthdate must be on, or before, 31 July 2022)
- attending the provider's eligible early childhood education program
- a confirmed enrolment with the service in the CCSS
- not yet in compulsory schooling.

[2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care child eligibility criteria.](#)

Do you have eligible 4YO + children currently enrolled at your service that you intend to provide fee relief in 2026? *

- Yes
 No

3YO Fee Relief Trial

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Eligible 3YO children must be:

- the age of 3 years old and not yet 4 years old on, or before, 31 July in 2026 (the child's birthdate must be on, or between, 1 August 2022 to 31 July 2023)
- attending the provider's eligible early childhood education program
- a confirmed enrolment with the service in the CCSS
- not yet in compulsory schooling.

Do you have eligible 3YO children currently enrolled at your service that you intend to provide fee relief in 2026? *

- Yes
 No

Eligibility check

You have indicated that you do not have / intend to provide fee relief to eligible:

- 4YO+ children, and
- 3YO children,

in 2026.

You are unable to proceed with the 2026 Start Strong for Long Day Care - New Services application form. Please contact ECEC.funding@det.nsw.edu.au if you require support.

Evidence of Enrolments

* indicates a required field

You have indicated that you will provide Fee Relief to eligible 4YO+ and/or 3YO children in 2026.

You must provide enrolment evidence for the period that you operated the service in 2026 as evidence to support your New Services application.

2026 Childcare Management Software System report for your service's operational period in 2026

You must provide a report downloaded from your Childcare Management Software System that contains the following fields:

- - Child first name
 - Child surname
 - Child date of birth
 - From start date (cannot be earlier than 1 January 2026)
 - End date (if applicable).

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Childcare Management Software report representing your service's operational period in 2026 *

Attach a file:

Excel file

2026 Child Care Subsidy System generated report for a representative week in 2026

You must provide a Child Care Subsidy System generated report for a representative week that captures enrolments over 5 consecutive business days. This month will be included in your invitation to apply, sent from ecec.funding@det.nsw.edu.au

Examples of opening months and representative weeks

Services opening between 1 July 2025 to 31 December 2025: February 2026 (2 February 2026 to 6 February 2026)

Services opening between 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026: April 2026 (13 April 2026 to 17 April 2026)

Services opening between 1 April 2026 and 30 June 2026: July 2026 (6 July 2026 to 10 July 2026).

Child Care Subsidy System report for a representative week in 2026 *

Attach a file:

Excel File

Confirmation

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I confirm that I understand and accept that:

1. The department will assess this form and determine eligible fee relief and program payments payable for the period. This will be assessed against the next applicable Child Care Subsidy System data capture period (February 2026 or June 2026, if applicable).
2. If eligible, the department will calculate and pay eligible 2026 fee relief and program payments to the provider.

I confirm that I understand and accept the above. *

Yes

Privacy

PRIVACY NOTICE

Any personal information provided to us in accordance with this registration form is being collected by NSW Department of Education (the Department).

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We are collecting this personal information about the number of children enrolled at your service for the primary purpose of the administration of funding under the Start Strong for Long Day Care program (“the program”) including (but not limited to) assessing eligibility, managing payments, auditing compliance and evaluating the program. The collection, use, and disclosure of this personal information is in compliance with the following Privacy Laws:

(i) The Privacy Act 1988 (Cth);(ii) The Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) – as if it is a ‘public sector agency’; and(iii) The Health Records and Information Privacy Act 2002 (NSW).

Without restricting the entities to whom the Department may make disclosure, We may disclose information or data in this form to:

(a) Any government agency, including Commonwealth, State and Territory, who may use this Information for any purpose connected to the exercise of their statutory functions;
(b) The Department’s Personnel (this includes the Department’s contractors) to allow the Department’s Personnel to engage with or offer assistance to the Approved Funded Provider named in this form in relation to a Program; and/or(c) Any third party contractor procured by the Department to support and assist with educational outcomes in connection with a Program.

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- [NSW Department of Education Privacy Policy](#) or by phone (02) 7814 3896
- [Australian Government Department of Education Privacy Policy](#) or by emailing privacy@education.gov.au
- [Services Australia Privacy Policy](#) or by phone 1800 132 468

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