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Change date	Chapter	Section/s	Summary of change
Jan-20	4. Operational Requirements	Quality Area 4: Staffing arrangements and mainly 4.1 – 4.5 (pages 402-440 of guide)	Amended sections on requirement for second ECT or 'suitably qualified person' in centre-based services with 60 or more preschool age or younger children
Jan-20	2: Applications and Approvals	1.1 – Application for provider approval (pages 19-21 of guide)	Further clarification of approved providers who are not individuals and persons with management and control
Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	2.1 – What is an education and care service?	Further information and clarification provided in table <i>Services out of scope of the National Quality Framework</i> .
Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	1.1 – Application for provider approval	Further clarification on the definition of 'persons with management or control'.
Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	1.2 – Considering an application for fitness and propriety	Further clarification on evidence of management capability provided.
Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	2.1 – A transport service	Explanation on transport considered part of an education and care service.

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Oct-18	3: National Quality Standard and Assessment and Rating	1.3.1 – Assessment and Planning Cycle	Diagram discussing assessment and planning cycle has been amended for clarification.
Oct-18	3: National Quality Standard and Assessment and Rating	2.2.1 – Assessment guide for meeting Element 2.2.1 (for all services)	Further clarification provided surrounding safe sleep and rest practices and recommended authority.
Oct-18	4: Operational Requirements	4.2.2 – Early Childhood teacher illness or absence	Further explanation under Regulation 135 surrounding early childhood teacher illness or absence. State specific guidance provided under National Regulation 135 and 272.
Oct-18	4: Operational Requirements	4.5.6 – Responsibilities of the approved provider, nominated supervisor and family day care educator	Text amended in table <i>Centre-based services with children preschool age and under</i> to reflect wording of National Regulations.
Oct-18	4: Operational Requirements	7.1 – Policies and Procedures	Standards within table <i>Required policies and procedures for all service types</i> and table <i>Additional policies and procedures for a family day care service</i> , amended to reflect 2018 National Quality Standard.
Oct-18	4: Operational Requirements	7.3 – Serious incidents, change of circumstances and complaints	Removal of word ‘significant’ in places within table <i>Serious incidents, change of circumstances and complaints to notify</i> to reflect wording of the National Regulations.

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Oct-18	7: Glossary	Preschool Program	Definition of Preschool program amended to reflect scope of the National Law.
Oct-18	7: Glossary	Officer	Definition of Officer included within the scope of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> .

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Guide amendments specific to Western Australia - October 2018

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Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	1.2 – After an application has been determined	Information regarding the <i>Duration and Effect of provider approval</i> specific to Western Australia has been included.
Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	1.5 – Determining an application for provider approval in case of death or incapacity of approved provider	Clarification on the definition of <i>executor</i> specific to Western Australia has been included.
Oct-18	2: Applications and Approvals	2.2 – Applications for service approval including request for approval of a family day care venue	Information on date specific changes has been included for service approvals in Western Australia.

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Oct-18	4: Operational Requirements	4.4.1 – Maximum number of children	Information specific to Western Australia regarding the maximum number of children in an emergency has been included.
Oct-18	4: Operational Requirements	4.5.1 – Family day care co-ordinator to family day care educator ratios	Information on date specific changes has been included for service approvals in Western Australia.
Oct-18	5: Regulatory Authority Powers	3 – Enforceable undertakings, When can it be used?	Clarification on when a person has contravened the National Law specific to Western Australia has been included.
Oct-18	5: Regulatory Authority Powers	11.2 – Receiving the warrant	Information specific to Western Australia defining the scope of a magistrate has been included.