



## A. Education and Care Service details

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### 1. Service details

Service name  
Service approval No.  
Approved provider name  
Provider approval No.

### 2. Contact details

Address line 1  
Address line 2  
Suburb/Town  
State/Territory Postcode

## B. Application contact details

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### 3. Personal details

Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss) Position title  
Given name  
Family name

### 4. Contact details

Email address  
Phone number  
Mobile number

## C. Service Excellent rating application history

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Never before applied Previously applied Currently rated Excellent

## D. Criteria

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### 5. Criterion 1: Excellence in practice

You must demonstrate how your service exemplifies and promotes exceptional education and care that improves outcomes for children and families.

Nominate at least three of the following themes and attach a statement with evidence explaining how each theme is supported and promoted through your service's practice:

- Collaborative partnerships with professional, community or research organisations.
- Commitment to children that respects, reflects and celebrates culture and diversity, including place of origin.
- Inclusive partnerships with children and families.
- Positive workplace culture, organisational values, support of educators and sustained commitment to professional development.
- Practice and environments that enhance children's learning and growth.

(Refer to the [Excellent rating Application Guidelines](#) for information about what to include in this statement)

Statement with evidence attached



## 6. Criterion 2: Visionary leadership

Attach a statement with evidence explaining how your service demonstrates leadership that contributes to the development of a community, a local area, or the wider education and care sector. You must show how your leadership influence extends beyond your service to lead, develop and inspire others.

(Refer to the [Excellent rating Application Guidelines](#) for information about what to include in this statement)

Statement with evidence attached

## 7. Criterion 3: Maintaining excellence

Attach a statement with evidence explaining how your service demonstrates commitment to sustained excellent practice through continuous quality improvement and comprehensive forward planning. You must show how your service will continue to improve outcomes for children and families over the three-year rating period if awarded the Excellent rating.

(Refer to the [Excellent rating Application Guidelines](#) for information about what to include in this statement)

Statement with evidence attached

## E. Declaration and consent

### 8. Applicant declaration

I,

declare that:

- I understand that providing false or misleading information is an offence. All the information provided in this application form, accompanying Excellent rated application and in any attachments I may submit during the 60-day assessment period are true, complete and correct.
- Any personal information included in this application is given with consent.
- I have read and understood the [Excellent rating Application Guidelines](#), with particular attention to the criteria for the Excellent rating.
- I have read and understood ACECQA's [privacy policy](#).
- I understand that ACECQA is authorised to verify any information provided in this application with relevant third parties.
- I am aware that I may be subject to penalties under the *Education and Care Services National Law* if I provide false or misleading information in this form.
- I am aware that, if awarded an Excellent rating by ACECQA, my service may be:
  - featured in a congratulatory message on ACECQA social media and/or in other ACECQA publications
  - listed, mapped and have practice examples shared on the ACECQA Excellent rated services web pages and,
  - referred to in ACECQA publications, presentations and social media posts related to the Excellent rating and exceptional practice.
- I understand that ACECQA will contact me directly for permissions regarding using any imagery included within this application.

Signature of declarant

*If submitting electronically,  
please type your name into  
the signature box.*

Role/position of declarant

DAY / MONTH / YEAR

**Please Note: ACECQA will not accept applications where the declaration is not signed.**



## F. Submitting your application

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ACECQA prefers to receive applications by email. Please send this application form, and your statements with evidence addressing each of the Excellent rating criteria to:

**Email:** [excellent@acecqa.gov.au](mailto:excellent@acecqa.gov.au)

Please note: if the file size of your application is too large for email, please contact us to organise access to the ACECQA Filecloud. Alternatively, if emailing or cloud access of your application is not possible, please post it to:

**Post: Excellent rating**

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