



Woolooware Outside School Hours Care

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IMMUNISATION POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

Woolooware Outside School Hours Care respects the right of individual parents to decide whether or not to immunise. However, children who are not immunised will be excluded for the period of an outbreak that is a vaccine-preventable disease. Proof of immunisation will be sought at the enrolment stage and recorded in the enrolment form. Immunisation requirements must be met for families to receive the Family Tax Benefit (RTB) Part A or the childcare fee assistance.

CONSIDERATIONS

- Department of Health Recommendations
- DEEWR Policy as outlined in centre Handbook
- Education & Care Service National Regulations 162
- Australian Government Services Australia

PROCEDURES

Parents will provide the centre with documented evidence of their child's immunisation status.

This information will be recorded in the enrolment form.

In the event of an outbreak of vaccine-preventable disease at the centre or school attended by children at centre, children not immunised will be required to stay at home for the duration of the outbreak.

The Public Health Unit will be notified if any child contracts a vaccine-preventable disease.

Payment of fees will be required for children excluded during an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease.

All educators should also maintain, through immunisation, their immunity to the following common childhood diseases:

- Measles, Mumps & Rubella
- Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
- Varicella (Chicken pox & Shingles)

Educators will be encouraged to undergo immunisation for Hepatitis A & B if they are not already immunised.

It is also recommended that all adults receive a booster dose of tetanus and diphtheria vaccine every 10 years.

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