

Welcome to Warwick West Early Childhood Development Program (ECDP) is a Queensland Government Department of Education Program. ECDP's provide early intervention programs and services for children from birth to 5 years, who have been identified with high support needs in one or more of the following areas:



- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Hearing Impairment
- Physical Impairment
- Intellectual Impairment
- Vision Impairment
- Speech Language Impairment

What is the purpose

The Warwick West ECDP plays a different but complimentary role to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) and Early Childhood Education Centres and Kindergartens.

We aim to support children's early learning through play-based programs to help develop valuable skills children need to be successful learners

We:

- Provide a range of programs and services that aim to enhance your child's development, well-being and community participation.
 - Centre based programs providing high quality early childhood intervention education
 - Specialist outreach support for your child's day care centre or Kindergarten
- Develop, in consultation with families, therapists, educational settings, and Individual Education Plan (IEP) that outlines the teaching focus and support that is provided for your child.
- Develop a close working relationship with our families to ensure we meet children's individual needs.
- Work closely with families, early childhood education centres and your child's future school, to ensure a smooth and successful transition into Prep. While Queensland Government Department of Education provides ECDP services, attending the program is not the same as formal enrolment at a school.

How can my child access the Early Childhood Development Program

The process of determining eligibility for access to the Early childhood Development Program will include consideration of all information gathered during the data collection process. Information collected during consultation with parents and from referral agencies are collated in an application sent to Regional Education Office for approval.

Referral to a program or service does not guarantee entry. Entry to a program will depend on the data gathering process, assessment details, eligibility and approval.

Significant educational support needs are determined by the impact of the child's disability on development across a number of domains.

Referral process

Each child requires a letter or report indicating the diagnosis of or suspected disability by either:

- A) A medical specialist in the case of Autism Spectrum Disorder; Sensory impairment (hearing, physical or visual) or a medical condition with an associated intellectual disability
- B) A speech Language Pathologist in the case of Speech language Impairment
- C) A paediatrician in the case of intellectual disability or global developmental delay.

A referral can be made by:

- Parents
- Teachers
- Doctors
- Speech Language Therapists
- Psychologists
- Other Agencies (Child Development Services, NDIS, Bush Kids, Kindergartens, Early Childhood Education Centres)