

4.12 Non-Smoking Policy

Policy Statement

To maintain the ongoing health and wellbeing of children, families, educators and community members, the service actively encourages and provides a smoke free environment. This demonstrates a commitment to the health and wellbeing of all who use the service.

Procedures

All service handbooks shall include information regarding the service's non-smoking policy.

Visitors to the service location or site shall be actively informed as required about the non-smoking policy.

Appropriate signage, displaying a no smoking symbol (circle with diagonal line over a picture of a cigarette) shall be displayed in visually prominent places to reinforce the message that the service is a non-smoking environment.

In line with 2016 Tobacco Laws in Qld. Smoking is banned at Early Childhood Education and Care facilities and for five (5) meters beyond their boundaries.

Where a service is located on State or Non- State School grounds, the boundaries are that of the school.

Staff are to not smoke in public whilst in uniform and are required to fully cover their uniform during this time.

References

- Education and Care Services National Law Act, 2010 and Regulations 2011
- Work Health and Safety Act 2011
- Family and Child Commission Act 2014
- Tobacco and Other Smoking Products Act 1998 and Other Smoking Products Amendment Bill 2004
- NQS Area: 2.1.1; 3.1.2; 7.1.1, 7.1.2; 7.3.5.
- Policies: 4.1 – General Health and Safety, 4.4 – Preventative Health and Wellbeing, 8.10 – Employee Orientation and Induction, 9.3 – Communication with Families.

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