



Children's Services
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SECTOR CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM Information for Families

The Sector Capacity Building (SCB) Program supports community preschools with inclusion readiness and inclusive education practices for children with developmental differences, additional needs and disabilities.

The SCB Program provides training and support to preschools to increase their capacity to include all children.

The SCB program helps preschools to:

- ▶ Consider changes to the preschool program and environment to enable all children to participate at preschool.
- ▶ Implement targeted strategies to develop children's skills in areas such as communication, social and emotional, play, and self help skill development.
- ▶ Support children to increase their independence.
- ▶ Access programs and supports that enhance inclusion, e.g. through funding and resources.

Preschool Inclusion Consultants:

- ▶ Provide free support to preschool teams to include all children in a way that benefits everyone.
- ▶ Are qualified and experienced early childhood teachers, with in-depth knowledge of child development and inclusive practices.

How consultants work with preschools:

- ▶ Visiting the preschool, reflecting with educators on their inclusive practices.
- ▶ Working with educators to find solutions to challenges.
- ▶ Providing coaching and mentoring, to build educators' knowledge and skills to include children of all abilities.
- ▶ Providing inclusion-related training for educators.
- ▶ Sharing information about relevant services and resources and promoting collaboration with families and other professionals.

Please note: Where consultant support focusses on specific children's participation, parent/carer consent is required.

Further information:

Contact your preschool for more information about the Sector Capacity Building Program and their Preschool Inclusion Consultant. The preschool team can talk with you about any strategies that they are using to support your child.

Additional information about how the NSW Department of Education funds the Sector Capacity Building Program is available on the NSW Department of Education website.



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