# 2.1.2

## **Health practices and procedures**

Effective illness and injury management and hygiene practices are promoted and implemented.

Week 19 17.6.2024 Section 2. Evaluation and Reflection (Room Leaders and Educators)

Conducted by the room leader along with their educators.





#### Why are you doing the checklist?

The practices identified in the checklist are what the assessor needs to see you do so they can check you're 'meeting the NQS.' If there's something on the checklist that you're not doing, you need to adjust your practice to do it, or ask for help and training to implement it ie work with your educational/room leader who should teach/coach you how to do it. This process uses the **summative assessment process** from the **new EYLF and MTOP**. Educators review your achievements and capabilities at specified or selected timepoints. Please make a judgement about the path you are on to understanding the element.

Name Educator 1

The checklist keys to use.	Name Educator 2				
E = Embedded I do that ALL the time	Name Educator 3				
K = I know I need to do that, but I don't do it all the time T = Please teach me how to do it or improve my	Name Educator 4				
understanding of why I need to do it.	Name Educator 5				
Health and Hygiene					
Do you refer to the Staying Healthy publication when health and hygiene issues?	necessary for expert guidance on				
Do you confidently implement all Service policies and		d			
hygienic storage, preparation and serving of food and					
Do you confidently implement all Service health and h					
including those covering cleaning of premises, equipm					
changing, hand washing, administration of medicatio	n, first aid, management of illness,	,			
injury and medical conditions, and exclusion periods?					
Do you ensure children's personal items like bedding,	dummies, toothbrushes are stored	1			
hygienically without touching other children's items?					
Do you teach and role model hygiene practices like ha	nd washing, cough and sneeze				
etiquette, dental hygiene and ear care?					
Do you discuss Service health and hygiene requirements and practices with families so					
they're familiar with Service practices and can implem	nent relevant practices at home?				
Illness and Injury Management					
Do you always group children in ways that reduce risk of illness and injury?					
Do you always respond quickly to signs of illness or injury in children in line with service					
policies and procedures?					
Do you always record information about illnesses and injuries and discuss with families in					
culturally sensitive ways as soon as possible and on th	e same day?				
Do you understand what's considered to be a serious illness and injury and make sure					
these are reported to the Regulatory Authority within 24 hours?					
Do you discuss health and safety issues with children and include them in making service					
rules that promote health and safety?					
Do you have all the immunisations recommended for staff?					
Do you always give families information about an illness their child may have or illness					
outbreaks eg Fact Sheets from Staying Healthy?					
Do you understand and confidently implement infection control procedures, including					
exclusion periods required under the Infectious Diseases Policy?					
Can you confidently implement all children's medical management and medical risk					
minimisation plans?					
Do you always follow up any concerns about a child's	health or wellbeing with your				
Room/Group Leader or Naminated Supervisor?					

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- Which health or hygiene practices do educators have the most trouble getting families to comply with? Why might this be? What changes could be implemented to improve this?
- Are there any food safety issues, including any related to the preparation, transport, storage or serving of food, that you're unsure of? How will you clarify Service procedures?
- Incidents where a child has been injured must always be documented (Reg 87). Incidents where a child may have been injured must also be documented. Why do you think this is? Do you need to change your practice?

Critically reflect through the eyes of:	Write your critical reflection below	What changes did you or will you make because of the reflection?			
a child	Children may not always understand the importance of reporting minor incidents or nearmisses. They might forget or choose not to mention small bumps or falls.	Encouraging children to report all incidents, no matter how minor, through regular reminders and supportive communication.  Creating a trusting environment where children feel comfortable sharing any incidents.			
an educator	Educators might overlook minor incidents, thinking they are not significant enough to document. There may also be challenges in maintaining thorough records due to time constraints or lack of awareness.	Revising practices to ensure every incident, no matter how minor, is documented or at least told to the families. Providing regular training on the importance of thorough documentation. Implementing a system for quick and efficient incident reporting.  Communicating clearly with families about the importance of documenting all incidents, including minor ones. Providing regular updates and ensuring families are informed about any incidents			
your families	Families may have concerns about how minor incidents are handled and documented. They need assurance that their children's safety is a top priority and that all incidents are taken seriously.				
theorist and current research	Theories such as Risk Management and Incident Reporting underline the importance of thorough documentation to identify patterns and prevent future incidents. Research supports that detailed records help improve safety practices.	promptly. Addressing concerns based on documented evidence.  Staying informed about current research on incident reporting and risk management. Applying relevant theories to enhance documentation practices. Engaging in continuous professional development to stay updated on best practices.			

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