

# Dignity and rights of the child



### 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 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.

<ul> <li>The checklist keys to use.</li> <li>E = Embedded I do that ALL the time</li> <li>K = I know I need to do that, but I don't do it all the time</li> <li>T = Please teach me how to do it or improve my understanding of why I need to do it.</li> </ul>	Name Educator 1	
	Name Educator 2	
	Name Educator 3	
	Name Educator 4	
	Name Educator 5	

	ED1	ED2	ED3	ED4	ED5
Would a visitor to your room see you help children make choices and let					
them experience the consequences when there's no danger of harm?					
Would a visitor to your room see you talk with children about their positive					
behaviour?					
Would a visitor to your room see you acknowledge children's growing					
maturity and give them more independence as they get older?					
Would a visitor to your room see you look out for situations where conflict					
between children may occur or escalate and manage the situation, so this					
doesn't happen?					
Would a visitor to your room see you <i>always</i> act in positive ways with					
children, even when they're very angry or upset eg through your words,					
tone, expressions, body language, empathy and behaviour guidance?					
Would a visitor to your room see you always soothe and comfort crying					
children?					
Would a visitor to your room see you help children respond in positive ways	5				
to difficult situations or interactions with others using a range of strategies?					
Would a visitor to your room see you encourage and support children to					
'call out' discriminatory actions or comments?					
Would a visitor to your room see you regularly discuss with children the					
importance of empathy, treating others equally and the benefits of					
diversity?					
Would a visitor to your room see you promote and celebrate each child's					
unique identity, including their family and culture?					
Would a visitor to your room see you find and work with resources that					
reflect your diverse families, children and community?					
Would a visitor to your room see you work with families and other					
professionals to support each child's needs and identity?					
Would a visitor to your room see you regularly reflect on your teaching					
practices, behaviour and values, and how these may affect a child's self-					
esteem and identity?					

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- Could your assumptions about what children can and can't do adversely affect how you support their dignity and rights?
- Could a stressful environment be influencing children's behaviour eg rigid routines, rules and expectations, large group sizes, curriculum content?

Critically reflect through the eyes of:	Write your critical reflection below	What changes did you or will you make because of the reflection?		
	<ul> <li>I'm just little, but I still want to be treated with kindness and respect by my teachers. Even if I do something wrong, I want to be listened to and understood. I want to have a say in what we do in class, and I want to feel like my opinions matter. I may be small, but I still have rights and I want them to be respected. I hope my teachers will always remember that."</li> <li>It is important to reflect on our beliefs and biases about children's behaviour and ensure that they do not negatively impact how we support their dignity and rights. This involves creating a safe and inclusive learning environment where children feel heard, valued, and supported, and where their needs and priorities are considered in decisionmaking processes.</li> <li>I have experienced instances where educators do not work in partnership with families. This lack of communication and collaboration can lead to a disconnect between what happens in the classroom and what happens at home and can make me feel like my concerns and opinions are not being valued. I want to feel like I am part of my child's education and that my perspective is essential for maintaining the dignity and rights of every child. This perspective involves recognising and addressing the root causes of inequality and working towards creating a more just and equitable society for all.</li> </ul>			
current research				

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your families		
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