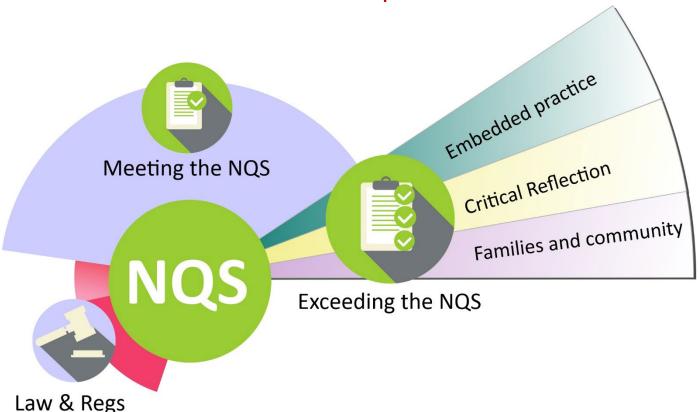
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Management, educators and staff are aware of their roles and responsibilities to identify and respond to every child at risk of abuse or neglect.

Section 9 - Educational Leader and Nominated Supervisor



First step: We must ensure the Law and Regulations are always met. **Second step**: then we look at the NQS and work through the process of meeting the element. **Third step**: then we can look at and complete the exceeding themes.

The logo above shows the effort required to do these three components. It should be easy and take little time to meet the Law and Regulations once you know what is required. Meeting then can become everyday practice, while exceeding takes a lot more time, thinking, connecting to families and community and practice change.

There are **things** that you need to do with your service and educators.

- (1) Review the points from the Law and make yourself familiar with them. Conduct the compliance test with your educators to check their knowledge.
- (2) Add to your folder the daily planner so you can document and show the assessor how you are working with educators. Use documents provided in this section.
- (3) Guide your educators to ensure they are at the meeting level, use the examples in the

- educators' section and the checklist to help you know exactly what is required.
- (4) Explore the exceeding themes with the examples in the educators' section and your section for critical reflection and families and communities.
- (5) Work with your Nominated Supervisor and edit the QIP (SAT for NSW) template provided by Centre Support to ensure it is reflecting your service's practices.

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Compliance test for educators

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Name of educator:

Questions	Response	Pass or Fail
Miss Ella's friend works as an educator interstate. Does she have the same child protection responsibilities? Why or why not?		
Mr Jake says educators can be reported to Child Protection authorities if they harm or abuse a child. Is this true?		
Miss Bella asks what Reg 84 means when it says staff must be aware of the child protection law. Please explain.		

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Educational Leader weekly sheet

Date	Educational Leader activity	With whom?	Comments	Follow up
Monday 4.9.23	Child Protection Awareness Campaign	Children and Educators	Introduced age-appropriate discussions explaining personal safety concepts.	Gather insights on children's responses and understanding of the awareness activities
Monday 4.9.23				
Tuesday 5.9.23				
Wednesday 6.9.23				
Thursday 7.9.23				
Friday 8.9.23				

General thoughts or ideas		

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Compliance test for educators ANSWERS for this week.

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Name of educator:

Questions	Response	Pass or Fail
Miss Ella's friend works as an educator interstate. Does she have the same child protection responsibilities? Why or why not?	Yes and no. She has the same responsibility to protect children from harm/abuse/neglect. The specific requirements, including who to report abuse and neglect to, and the reporting process, differ because each state/Territory has its own child protection laws. See your Child Protection Policy, including the sources, for more information.	
Mr Jake says educators can be reported to Child Protection authorities if they harm or abuse a child. Is this true?	Yes. In the ACT, NSW and VIC there are also requirements to comply with legislated 'Reportable Conduct Schemes" which cover child-related misconduct/harm/abuse by an employee or volunteer. (See your Child Protection Policy for more information. Instances of physical or sexual abuse of a child at the Service, or allegations of this, must also be reported to the Regulatory Authority (Reg 175(2)(d & e)	
Miss Bella asks what Reg 84 means when it says staff must be aware of the child protection law. Please explain.	This means, for example, understanding how to identify when a child may be or has been harmed/abused/neglected, and their State/Territory's child protection laws and procedures about: • who mandated reporters are and what this means • how to make child protection reports.	