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UNITED WORKERS UNION ECEC RULES TO STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID-19:

Staff, parents and the community must have confidence that centres are doing everything they can to have safe and healthy centres that are actively limiting the spread of COVID-19.

As schools across Australia are closing, early childhood education is the only place where children can receive care while health workers save lives, cleaners and council workers keep our homes and cities clean, and retail staff work hard to make sure we have everything we need to get through this crisis

Early childhood education and care need clear and strong rules to make sure workers, children and parents are confident that centres stay safe and healthy.

Educators cannot practice social distancing with very young children. Therefore they need to be confident that everything possible has been done to prevent any infection getting into their environment. This 6 point plan gives confidence to educators and parents that early education is as safe as possible for everyone.

It is the only way that this essential service can safely remain operating.

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- 1. It is the requirement of all Centre Directors, Organisations and/or approved providers to develop sufficient plans and processes needed to operationalise these requirements.
- 2. These plans must meet or exceed the requirements of the National Quality Standards Quality Area 2 and the relevant legislated workplace health and safety requirements.
- 3. At no point can a Centre's decisions supplant any workplace health and safety laws or the most recent health department advice on COVID-19.

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