



Australian Government  
Department of Education,  
Skills and Employment

## Victorian COVID-19 support

Today, Prime Minister Scott Morrison and Minister Tehan [announced](#) measures to support families, ECEC educators and services through the Victorian Stage 3 and 4 COVID-19 restrictions.

The Government's intention is for families to keep their children enrolled in services at no cost, for educators to be covered by the Employment Guarantee, and for providers and services to have greater financial certainty and to be able to keep their services open to the children of permitted workers.

Details on the new arrangements are available on our [website](#).

## Don't miss your chance to shape the future of child care

We have extended the current survey on transition arrangements by 24 hours and it will now close at 12 noon (AEST) Thursday 6 August.

If your service has not received the survey, please check your junk/spam folder. If you still can't find your email, please contact ORIMA at [surveys@orima.com](mailto:surveys@orima.com) and provide:

- the name and address of your service
- your contact phone number, and
- the email address you would like the survey to be sent to.

## Reminder - submit your session reports by 9 August

Providers need to submit all session reports for the 2019–20 CCS year by 9 August 2020. These session reports need to be accurate and finalised as they are essential for balancing (or reconciling) family CCS entitlements after the end of the financial year.

The Child Care Subsidy System (CCSS) will be closed for the 2019–20 CCS year from 10 August 2020. This means providers will not be able to submit new session reports, or vary or withdraw existing session reports, for any period between 1 July 2019 and 6 April 2020.

The Early Childhood Education and Care Relief Package commenced on 6 April 2020 and ceased on 12 July 2020. Session reports cannot be submitted for this period.

## CCSS maintenance this weekend

Services Australia will be undertaking scheduled maintenance of their IT systems this weekend. As a result, the CCSS will be unavailable from 10 pm (AEST) Saturday 8 August 2020 until 10 am (AEST) Sunday 9 August 2020.

For providers and services, this means you will not be able to enter session reports into CCSS during this period.

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