

# Factsheet CAT01

## Categories of child-related work

### 1: a child care service



A child care service is defined under section 4 of the *Child Care Services Act 2007* and section 5(1) of the *Education and Care Services National Law (Western Australia)*.

This category includes:

- long day care, centre-based care and occasional care
- family day care and outside school hours family day care
- outside school hours care
- licensed creche.

## Roles in child-related work

Some examples of roles considered to be in [child-related work](#) are listed below. Please note that in all cases, for a role to be considered to be in child-related work, the **usual duties** of that role must involve, or be likely to involve, **contact** with a **child**. Roles include:

- individual licensees and managerial officers of child care services, even if they do not have contact with the children
- supervising officers and paid staff of the child care service
- other adult household members at a family day care who have a role e.g., they engage with the children and join in activities such as reading stories or outdoor games
- **students** on placement over 18 years of age
- non-teaching staff, including gardeners, cleaners and cooks whose employment is at the child care centre during centre hours and whose usual duties involve contact with children.
- incursion providers, for example dance or art instructors, who attend to facilitate activities with the children
- **volunteers** who have contact with the children as part of the usual duties of their role.

## Exemptions

The following [exemptions](#) apply to this category:

- **child** volunteers under 18 years of age

- unpaid students on placement under 18 years of age
- **short-term visitors** to WA
- a **parent** volunteering at the child care service at which the child is enrolled, refer to [Factsheet CRW03 – Exemptions, the parent volunteer exemption](#)
- police officers performing functions as a member of the WA Police.

Definitions of **bold** terms can be found in the Working with Children Check glossary at [www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au](http://www.workingwithchildren.wa.gov.au)