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Dear Parent/Guardian

**RE: IMPORTANT CHANGES TO IMMUNISATION REQUIREMENTS -
(NO JAB, NO PLAY)**

Following changes to the *South Australian Public Health Act 2011* (the Act), from **7 August 2020**, children will not be able to enrol in or attend early childhood services unless all immunisation requirements are met.

The Act requires:

- An early childhood service must not enrol a child if all immunisation requirements are not met.
- A child cannot attend, or continue to attend, an early childhood service if all immunisation requirements are not met.
- Early childhood services must keep a current copy of an approved immunisation record for each child enrolled in, or attending that service.
- Approved immunisation records must be supplied by parents/guardians to the early childhood service at specified times.

These changes have been introduced to ensure a rapid response in the event of an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease.

There are some approved exemptions. Parents and guardians should speak with their medical practitioner about whether exemptions to being vaccinated are considered valid.

Please read the Frequently Asked Questions enclosed for more information about early childhood services and immunisation requirements.

For more information:

- SA Health immunisation information: www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/immunisation
- Australian Immunisation Register general enquiries line: 1800 653 809
- Recording immunisation details – Department of Education

Yours sincerely

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