

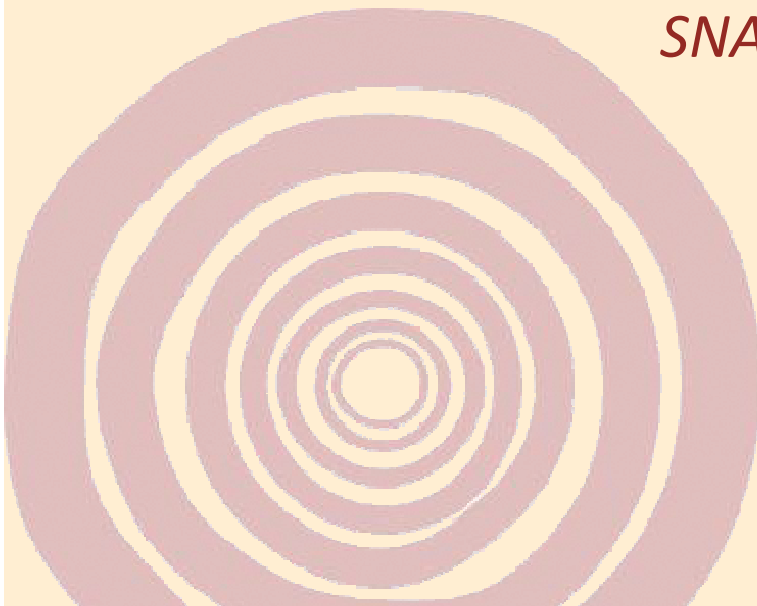
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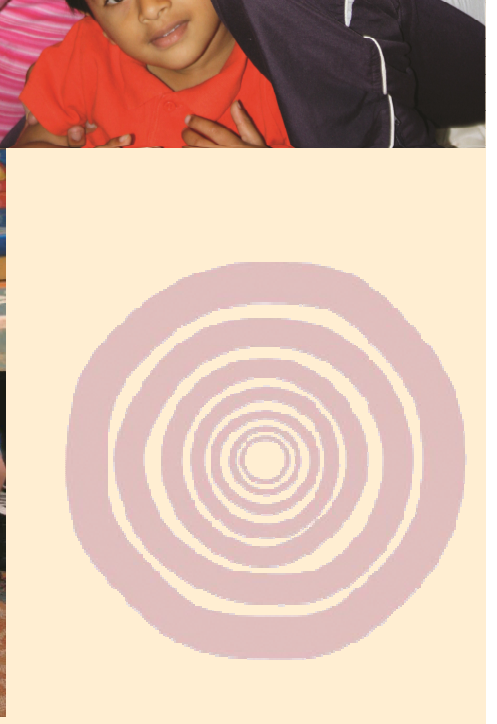
Let's talk about quality child care

National Childcare Accreditation Council

Jan McFarlane & Rebecca Gewandt

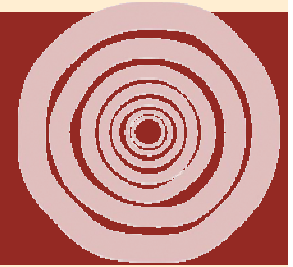
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Quality matters



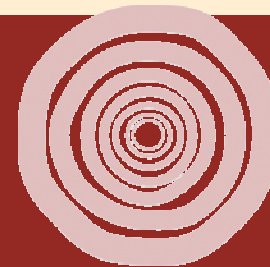
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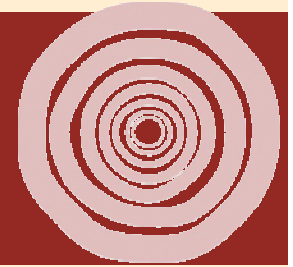
**Funded by the Australian Government
to administer Quality Assurance
systems for:**

- Long day care
- Family day care
- Outside school hours care





What's the difference?



Licensing

- State/Territory system
- Number of children
- Staff
- Buildings, space

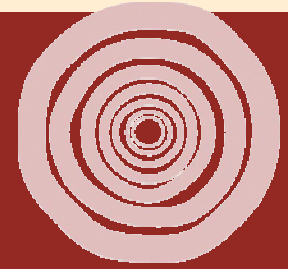
Quality Assurance

- National system
- Relationships
- Programs
- Management
- Health, safety, nutrition





Future Direction January 2012



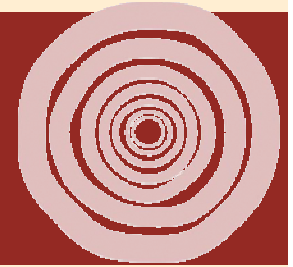
National Quality Framework

- Early Years Learning Framework
- National Quality Standard
- Rating System
- Streamlining licensing and quality assurance





Share your story



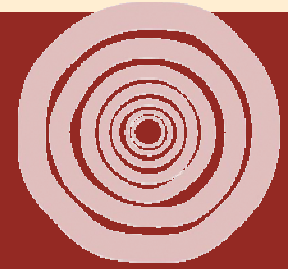
Describe your service

- Location
- Community
- What do you do?





What does quality look like?



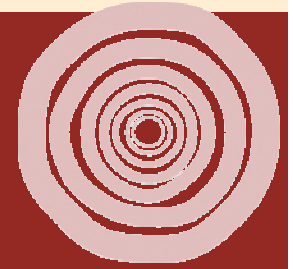
- Meeting the needs of the local community
- Involving families
- Keeping kids safe
- Growing up strong, healthy kids





Quality Assurance

Share your experience

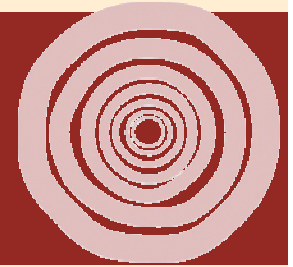


- Meeting the standards
- Paperwork
- Validation Visit / Licensing Visit
- Accreditation Decision





A better way



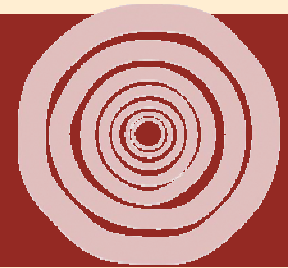
What would make the process better?

- Share your ideas
- Identify your top priority





Information and Support



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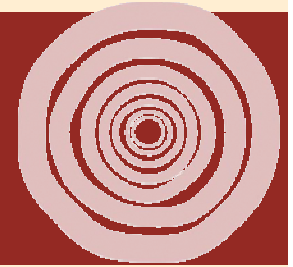
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