

FAMILIES - PRIORITY OF ACCESS

POLICY

Priority of Access is determined under Government Guidelines.

Allocation of available Childcare places will be governed by families whose children have the highest priority.

PRIORITY OF ACCESS GUIDELINES:

Priority 1 Children at risk of serious abuse or neglect.

Priority 2 Children of a single parent who satisfies or of parents who both satisfy, the work/training/study test under section 14 of the Family Assistance Act.

Priority 3 All other children.

Within each category priority will be given to the following groups:

- Families on lower incomes.
- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander families.
- Parents or children with disabilities.
- Families with a non-English speaking background.
- Single parents
- Socially isolated families.

If the service has no vacant places, a child in the third priority may be required to relinquish that place for a child in a higher priority. Families are informed of this possibility on enrolment and will be given at least 14 days' notice.