

## **URGENT BULLETIN - WWCC Compliance**

Dear members,

As you are aware, all child-related employees at the Department of Education are required under the *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act* 2012 to obtain a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance from the Office of Children's Guardian.

This advice applies to members employed in primary, central, community, infants, environmental education centres, SSPs and hospital schools.

Employees in secondary schools completed their compliance on 31 March 2017.

The Department of Education has determined a policy position that requires all remaining employees in schools to provide their Working with Children Check clearance to the Department by 17 November 2017.

## You need to comply with this timeframe even if you are on leave.

This advice was forwarded to principals 23 June 2017.

Members are urged to apply as soon as possible to comply with the November deadline.