

SPARK Early Childhood Education & Care Program



SPARK Ginninderry proudly supports training and employment initiatives for local people.

SPARK in partnership with North Belconnen Community Association Inc., The Y Canberra Region Early Learning Centres, The Canberra Institute of Technology (RTO Code: 0101), The Umbrella Collective and UnitingCare Kippax are delivering an accredited training program focusing on skills development, work experience and employment within the Early Childhood Education and Care sector.

Please note; individuals who wish to be considered for this SPARK program must be willing to undergo a National Police Check prior to commencing. Individuals MUST also have applied for a Working With Vulnerable People card and produce the receipt before being offered a place on the program.

Targeting people living across the Canberra region who are 17 years of age or older and have completed high school/college. This SPARK program will provide participants with:

- · Provide First Aid in an education and care setting (HLTAID012)
- Industry based work placements within the Early Childhood Education and Care sector
- Real employment pathways within the sector for participants who meet the criteria

Upon successful completion, students will receive the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care (CHC30121).

Commencing Tuesday 3 March 2026, this program will run 4 days per week (Monday - Thursday, 24 hours a week) during semester 1 (March-June). This program will be a combination of theory, practical hands-on learning and sector work placement. Work placements will take place with one of our partnering services, North Belconnen Community Association Inc (Flynn and Charnwood) and The Y Canberra Region Early Learning Centres (Holt, Belconnen and Holder). In semester 2 participants will have the option to continue with either full-time or part-time study.

Information Session

The information session will provide individuals with advice on program content, eligibility criteria and the commitment that is required to be selected as a participant on this program. It is mandatory that all individuals seeking to be on the program attend this session. This is a two-part session broken into:

- 1. an information presentation followed by
- 2. a selection session for eligible individuals.

When

Tuesday 10 February 2026 11am - 1pm

Where

UnitingCare Kippax
Corner of Luke Street and Hardwick
Crescent, Holt

Costs

Places may be available under the ACT's Fee-Free TAFE program for those that meet eligibility criteria. Fee-Free TAFE is a jointly funded initiative of the ACT and Australian governments.

To register for the information session please contact Mel on 1800 316 900, email spark@ginninderry.com or scan the QR code.













