



Respectful Relationships professional learning workshops for early childhood professionals

Build your capacity to support children to develop resilience, confidence and respectful relationships

The Respectful Relationships initiative is offering free professional learning for early childhood teachers and educators (bachelor, diploma, or certificate III qualified) in Victorian Government-funded kindergarten programs.

The free online learning program will run in June, September and October 2026. It is designed to strengthen the capacity of early childhood professionals to:

- promote respectful relationships, positive attitudes and behaviours within their teaching approach, to enable children to build healthy relationships, resilience and confidence
- understand the role of gender equality in the prevention of family violence, and learn practical strategies for promoting gender equality in their teaching practice
- recognise and respond to family violence and build support networks.

About the professional learning workshops

The professional learning has been developed in collaboration with Monash University by world-leading experts and aligns with the Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework and the National Quality Standard. It includes a one-day online workshop and a 2-hour, self-paced online learning module. Limited spaces are available.

The department is offering a financial contribution to services who need backfill for staff who join this training. The professional learning is a menu item on the School Readiness Funding Menu. Services can also use the Menu to arrange for backfill or additional hours support.

Dates:

1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 15, 16, 19, 22 and 23 June 2026
1, 3, 7, 9 and 11 September 2026
20, 22, 26, 28 and 30 October 2026

Format:

Online (one full-day workshop, one 2-hour learning module)

Cost: Free

For more information, visit the Respectful Relationships in early childhood webpage vic.gov.au/respectful-relationships-early-childhood



Scan the QR code to find out more and register to attend a workshop