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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors, Heads: Curriculum Support, Circuit Managers, Deputy Chief Education Specialists, ECD Managers, Subject Advisers, ECD Subject Advisers, Principals and Foundation Phase Departmental Heads at public schools with Grade R, Grade R teachers/practitioners at public schools and Principals and Grade R Practitioners at registered independent Grade R sites

Subject: The South African National Curriculum Framework for children from Birth to Four: Training for pre-Grade R practitioners and Early Childhood Development (ECD) centre principals

1. In 2013, the Department of Basic Education (DBE) developed *The South African National Curriculum Framework (NCF) for children from Birth to Four*, 2012. This national curriculum is aimed at improving the quality of basic education by laying a solid foundation in the very early years. It provides guidance for developing learning programmes and working with infants and young children from birth to age four. It is applicable to a variety of settings, purposes and a range of stakeholders. The NCF can be accessed via the DBE's website: <https://tinyurl.com/m99omqf>.
2. Provincial education departments have been mandated by the DBE to train all pre-Grade R practitioners on the NCF.
3. The Western Cape Education Department (WCED) has planned province-wide NCF training for all pre-Grade R practitioners from June–July 2019 onwards. Different groups of pre-Grade R practitioners will be offered the opportunity to attend a five-day NCF workshop at different times over the next two years.
4. Western Cape Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges will conduct the NCF training in collaboration with the WCED.

5. The five-day workshop will take place as follows:

24 June to 26 July 2019 08:00 to 16:00	The June–July 2019 NCF training is for pre-Grade R practitioners with Levels 1, 4 and 5 and principals of ECD sites registered with the WCED and the Department of Social Development (DSD).
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6. **Registration for the June–July 2019 NCF training**

6.1 The final date for registration is **14 June 2019**.

6.2 Principals of ECD sites registered with the WCED and the DSD are invited to register themselves and their qualified pre-Grade R practitioners (who teach children from birth to four years) for the NCF training at their nearest TVET college. A copy of each practitioner’s ECD L1, L4 or L5 certificate must accompany the registration form.

6.3 All registrations will be done by the TVET colleges listed in **Annexure B**. No registrations will be attended to at WCED district offices.

6.4 Spaces are limited. Registration will be done on a first come, first served basis and the WCED and/or the TVET colleges reserve the right to determine the following:

- Representation per ECD site
- Allocation of the training group.

6.5 Each successful registration form will receive a confirmation SMS or email within 10 working days. Should the applicant not receive confirmation of his/her registration, they should contact the relevant TVET college by no later than **18 June 2019** to clarify the status of their registration.

6.6 Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided at the workshop. Participants with special dietary requirements will be catered for as far as possible; however, all participants are advised to provide for their own special/additional needs.

6.7 No transport subsidies will be paid. It is therefore advised that participants register to attend at the TVET college closest to them.

6.8 **The attached registration form (Annexure A)** must be completed and returned to the relevant TVET college by no later than **31 May 2019**.

7. All queries regarding registration for June–July 2019 NCF training must be addressed to the relevant TVET college listed in **Annexure B**.

8. Following this five-day workshop all participants will be expected to revisit their daily programmes as well as their learning programmes to ensure that these are aligned to the NCF.
9. The WCED together with the TVET colleges, is committed to bringing quality NCF training to all registered participants.
10. Principals of ECD sites registered with the WCED and the DSD are requested to bring this minute to the attention of all pre-Grade R practitioners with ECD Levels 1, 4, and 5 to ensure that they are given the opportunity to attend this once-off training in June–July 2019.

SIGNED: PAD BEETS

DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL: CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT

DATE: 2019-05-16

REGISTRATION FORM: NCF TRAINING JUNE–JULY 2019

Name of ECD centre:		Name of principal:		
ECD centre registration number:		Language used for teaching (tick main language used):	English	
or			Afrikaans	
DSD number:			Xhosa	
Contact details for confirmation of NCF registration:		Person to contact:		
Landline number:		1 st Cellphone number:		
Email address:		2 nd Cellphone number:		

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Copies of practitioners' ECD L1, L4 or L5 certificates must be submitted with this form.

Delegates		Surname	First name	ID number	Contact number	Ages currently taught:			
						0–18 months	18–36 months	3–4 years	4–5 years
Principal	1								
L1, L4 or L5 Practitioners	2								
	3								

Dietary needs	Normal	Halaal	Veg
Number:			

Your closest TVET NCF training venue:

**THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL AND RETURNED TO YOUR CLOSEST TVET COLLEGE (see Annexure B) BY NO LATER THAN 14 JUNE 2019.
YOU WILL RECEIVE CONFIRMATION OF YOUR REGISTRATION FROM THE TVET COLLEGE.**

**LIST OF TVET COLLEGE VENUES AND CONTACT PERSONS
NCF TRAINING 24 JUNE–26 JULY 2019**

WCED District	TVET College		Campuses offering NCF training	Address
Metro Central	College of Cape Town Sandra Swartz (Programme Manager) 021 100 3433	1	Crawford Campus	Crawford Campus, Athlone
Metro North & Metro East	Northlink College Linda Arnott 021 591 3181 Zaida Davids 021 938 3013	1	Goodwood Campus	Cnr of Dirkie Uys and Merriman Street, Goodwood
		2	Metro North Timmerman Street, Parow	Timmerman Street, Parow
Metro South	False Bay College Marelize Minnaar 021 361 3430	1	Khayelitsha Campus	Cnr of Spine Road and Mew Way
		2	Mitchells Plain Campus	Merrydale Road
		3	Muizenberg Campus	Main Road, Muizenberg
West Coast & Cape Winelands	West Coast College Zandra Prinsloo 022 482 1143	1	Atlantis Campus	Cnr of Charl Uys Drive and Niel Hare Street, Atlantis Industria
		2	Malmesbury Campus	Cnr of Church and Loedolf Streets, Malmesbury
		3	Vredenburg Campus	1 Academy Street, Louville, Vredenburg
		4	Vredendal Campus	Hoërskool Road, Vredendal North, Vredendal
Cape Winelands	Boland College Daniel Lotter 021 886 7111	1	Paarl Campus	Cnr of Berg River Boulevard and Plein Street, Paarl
		2	Stellenbosch Campus	Drukkers Road (off Bird Street), Stellenbosch
		3	Strand Campus	Aerodrome Way, Strand

Eden & Central Karoo	South Cape College	1	George Campus	46 Hibernia Street, George
	Yvonne Botha 044 884 0359	2	Oudtshoorn Campus	48 Adderley Street, Oudtshoorn
	Colin Meyer 044 272 7090	3	Beaufort-West Campus	Cnr of Van Schalkwyk and De Vries Streets, Rustdene, Beaufort-West