

# *Kids and Traffic* road safety education workshops for early childhood education students

The *Kids and Traffic* team delivers free road safety education workshops to undergraduate and post-graduate early childhood education students in NSW universities and to students in early childhood education courses at NSW TAFE colleges and other Registered Training Organisations (RTOs).

Using road safety education as the focus, *Kids and Traffic* workshops show early childhood education students how easy it is to include road safety every day through play, music, literacy, language, numeracy and transitions. Our workshops also help inform students about aspects of the Education and Care Services National Regulations and the National Quality Standard including safety, excursions, policies and involving and supporting families.

Workshop participants receive road safety education information as well as support materials, resources and ideas for fun learning experiences. They also receive a Statement of Attendance, a useful addition to student portfolios as it comes from *Kids and Traffic*, a Recognised Authority in road safety education.

## Early childhood education students at university

The *Kids and Traffic* tertiary workshop '**Making Links: Road Safety Education and Early Childhood Contexts**' is offered either as a lecture or tutorial. This workshop helps students learn about the characteristics of young children that make them vulnerable in and around traffic. It also shares strategies and ideas that support road safety education in everyday programming and planning across curriculum areas and considers ways to foster partnerships between early childhood educators and families.

## Early childhood education students at TAFE and other RTOs

### Travel with children safely

The *Kids and Traffic* workshop 'Travel with Children Safely' addresses Element 5 of CHCCN301C, Ensure children's health and safety. This workshop helps students learn about the characteristics of children that put them at risk in and around traffic, about safe procedures and risk management during excursions and working with families to promote and support safe behaviours when out and about in the traffic environment.

### Monitor travel and excursions

The *Kids and Traffic* workshop 'Monitor Travel and Excursions', addresses Element 3 of CHCCH511B, Establish and maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. This workshop helps students learn about procedures for safety before, during and after excursions as well as excursion policies, including volunteer responsibilities.