

To whom it may concern,

My name is Jessica Faulkner and I have been in the early childhood education and care sector since 2008. I started off as a diploma trained educator but attended university in order to extend my qualifications and my knowledge on my field. At university and during my experience in this field I have developed an understanding of how crucial the first five years are in terms of brain development and the development of relationships. Children learn more in the first three years than they we do for the rest of our lives. I currently work as the Early Childhood Teacher in a 0-2 room. In my role as a teacher I have the additional knowledge to teach my fellow educators and to program experiences that will develop crucial attachments with children that are so important in their development. Please don't take away my right to teach children under the age of three just because I wished to enhance my qualifications at university. Please don't sacrifice quality early childhood education and care services for cheaper childcare. We will be selling children short the future that they deserve.

Regards,

Jessica Faulkner