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**? WHY IS IT
IMPORTANT?**
Play and learning
help develop
skills for life

Indoor and outdoor spaces allow your child to play, learn and develop their skills.

Examples of what to look for:

- Outdoor and indoor spaces are welcoming and suitable for children.
- Buildings, furniture, equipment and resources are safe and well-maintained.
- Children can participate in a range of experiences.

The **National Quality Framework** introduces a new quality standard to improve children's education and care services across Australia. Seven quality areas help ensure your child is given the best possible start in life. Over time, all Australian services will be rated against the National Quality Standard.

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