

SAQA ID	Qualification Title	NQF Level	Credits	Duration
97542	Occupational Certificate: Early Childhood Development Practitioner	04	131	1 Year

A. Quality Assurance Body

Quality Council for Trades & Occupations (QCTO)

B. Assessment Quality Partner

Education, Training and Development Practitioners Sector Education & Training Authority (ETDPSETA)

C. Qualification Overview

The purpose of this qualification is to prepare a learner to operate as an Early Childhood Development Practitioner. An Early Childhood Development Practitioner plans and prepares early childhood activities, facilitates and mediates learning, observes and assesses the progress of children, and reflects on learning in an inclusive, play-based environment to support holistic development of children (from conception - school going) in different centre-based or non-centre based settings.

A qualified learner will be able to:

- Plan and prepare broad-phase learning environment and stimulating activities that meet the holistic needs of all children in centre-based or non-centre-based settings.
- Facilitate and mediate all aspects of the daily programme in a centre-based or non-centre based setting.
- Observe, assess and record each child's progress according to the age and stage.
- Compile a report of each child's progress.
- Maintain and promote the well-being, health, nutrition, safety and protection of children.

D. Exit Level Outcomes

- Plan and prepare broad-phase learning environment and stimulating activities that meet the holistic needs of all children in centre-based or non-centre-based settings.
- Facilitate and mediate all aspects of the daily programme in a centre-based or non-centre-based setting.
- Observe, assess and record each child's progress.
- Compile a report of each child's progress.
- Maintain and promote the well-being, health, nutrition, safety and protection of children.

E. Entry Requirements

The minimum entry requirement for this qualification is:

- National Certificate Vocational (NCV) at NQF Level 3.
or Any other NQF Level 3 qualification.

F. Qualification Modules

1. Knowledge Modules

Module Code	Module Title	NQF Level	Credits
234201000-KM-01	Introduction to the early childhood development sector	4	4
234201000-KM-02	Theories and Perspectives of Child Development	5	6
234201000-KM-03	Planning and Programme Development in early childhood settings	4	8
234201000-KM-04	Facilitation and mediation of active learning	5	12
234201000-KM-05	Observation and assessment in early childhood development	4	4
234201000-KM-06	Promotion of health, safety and well-being of children	4	6
234201000-KM-07	Administration for early childhood development services and programmes	3	3

2. Practical Modules

Module Code	Module Title	NQF Level	Credits
234201000-PM-01	Plan and prepare inclusive educational activities and routines using an approved programme based on the curriculum framework	4	12
234201000-PM-02	Facilitate and mediate active learning in an integrated and holistic learning programme	5	9
234201000-PM-03	Observe, assess, record and report each child's progress according to the age and stage	4	4
234201000-PM-04	Support and promote the health, nutrition, safety, protection and well-being of children	4	12
234201000-PM-05	Build and maintain collaborative relationships with parents and other service providers	4	3
234201000-PM-06	Prepare and maintain administrative systems	3	3

3. Work Experience Modules

Module Code	Module Title	NQF Level	Credits
34201000-WM-01	Learning programme and routines planning and preparation process	4	13
234201000-WM-02	Processes of facilitating and mediating the learning programme in a variety of contexts	4	15
234201000-WM-03	Processes of observation, assessment, recording and reporting on children's learning and development	4	7
234201000-WM-04	Processes and procedures of promoting the health, nutrition, safety, protection and well-being of children in an early childhood development setting	4	10

NB

All modules are compulsory

Unemployed candidates **MUST** be hosted at a real workplace for work integrated learning

G. Delivery Methodology

- Face to face contact sessions at an approved QCTO venue
- Virtual support sessions

H. Assessment

Assessment will comprise the following;

- Completion of formative and summative assessment tasks
- Completion of workplace logbook tasks
- External Integrated Summative Assessment (EISA) at an approved QCTO assessment centre

I. Certification

The QCTO will issue successful candidates with;

- Statement of Results
- Certificate of Competence