



## Service Overview

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# Early Childhood Intervention (ECI)

Autism Queensland (AQ) offers a range of services for young children (up to school entry age) and their families, including diagnostic assessments, individual and group therapy, and coaching for parents and professionals.

Our ECI supports are tailored to each child's individual needs and provide a flexible, holistic approach. We encourage collaboration with families and relevant stakeholders at every step.

## We understand the unique needs of autistic children

- **Family-centred support:** Neurodiversity-affirming, tailored support for each child, addressing family goals, needs/preferences, and NDIS plans (where relevant).
- **Strengths-based & holistic approach:** Collaboration with parents, educators, and therapists to ensure consistent strategies and support across all settings.
- **Community & peer connection:** Encourage links with local supports and provides opportunities for families to build supportive peer networks within the community.
- **Therapy, inclusion & transitions:** Tailored individual and group therapy options, inclusion services for your child's education setting, and support for key transitions.

We focus on key areas essential for successful participation in home and community life, including communication and social interaction, sensory processing, cognitive development, access to inclusive environments, motor skills and mobility, learning and daily living skills, family wellbeing and capacity, self-care and self-management, social-emotional development, and interpersonal relationships.

### Multidisciplinary team

EarlyAQtion ECI services are delivered by a multidisciplinary team of occupational therapists, speech pathologists, early childhood educators, and psychologists. Together they collaborate closely with families with combined expertise to deliver individualised and evidence-based supports for each child.

Did you know?

An estimated  
**1 in 40**  
Australians are  
autistic.

### What EarlyAQtion services are available?

AQ's specialised early intervention services are designed to nurture each child's unique strengths and each family's goals. EarlyAQtion empowers children and families to thrive at home, early childhood settings/school, and in the community.

- **Assessment & Diagnostics:** Comprehensive assessments and diagnostics with guidance to help families access post-diagnosis supports.
- **Therapy & Lifestyle Supports:** Occupational therapy, speech pathology, psychology, inclusion and transition supports, and group therapy.
- **Parent Coaching:** Equipping parents and carers with the skills to advocate for their child and support their growth and learning at all stages.
- **Professional Development & Training:** Autism-specific workshops, mental health training for practitioners, and on-demand training, resources, and tailored support for Queensland early childhood services, kindergartens, schools, and community settings—designed to build inclusive practices through a collaborative approach.
- **PlayConnect+ Playgroups:** Inclusive playgroup sessions for children age 0-8 with disability or developmental concerns, and their families.

**Please note:** Fees may apply, NDIS funding may be used (if applicable). Not available at all AQ centres and waitlists may apply. Select ECI services may be deliverable in the community (travel fees apply) or online via Telepractice.



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