The Primary School Nursing Program is a free service offered by the Department of Education to all students and their families during their child’s Primary School Years. During the first year of school the Primary School Nurse provides health, wellbeing and development check that is available for all Prep/Foundation students.



**Development Checks for Prep Students**

**Free Health, Wellbeing &**



The program aim is to assist in the early identification of children with potential health, wellbeing or development concerns which may impact on their education and offers screening (such as hearing, vision, speech, dental and motor skills) as well as advice, information and referrals to health and support services.

Parents / carers can support their child’s participation in the program by completing an online School Entrant Health Questionnaire. You can access and complete the online questionnaire on a mobile phone, computer or tablet.

Once the questionnaire has been submitted, the Primary School Nurse will visit your child’s school to conduct further health screenings for students that require it. The nurse may contact you to further discuss any concerns raised in the questionnaire, using the details you provided.

You will receive a postcard with information on how to access and complete the School Entrant Health Questionnaire. Participation in the program is not mandatory and parent/carer consent is required for the Primary School Nurse to see your child. If you do not wish to participate, you are encouraged to register the online questionnaire and select ‘*No I do not consent’* in the online questionnaire so that your response is recorded, and to avoid too many reminders being sent to you.

If you would like assistance to access or complete the online questionnaire, please contact your school or Primary School Nurse to arrange at time.