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EC15 Application to receive Equity Funding for providing Early Childhood Education in a language and culture other than English

1. This form is for licensed early childhood services, including home-based care networks, wishing to receive equity funding for providing early childhood education in a language and culture other than English (including sign language).
2. Services must meet the criteria at the time of applying. For further information about Equity Funding Component C: Language and culture other than English (including sign language) see [chapter 10-4](#) of the ECE Funding Handbook.
3. If your eligibility changes in the future, you must advise the Education Review Office. Eligibility will be subject to ongoing review by ERO and Ministry of Education staff.
4. Submit the completed form to: Education Review Office: Licensing@ero.govt.nz
5. If you have any queries about the Equity Funding payment, please contact the ECE Resourcing: ece.resourcing@education.govt.nz

Early Childhood Service

Service Name in Full

Ministry of Education Service Number

Service Address

Contact Person for queries about this form

Contact Number

Main language of Communication

Main language of communication is the language used for communication for **more than half the time that staff** (e.g. trained, untrained, paid and unpaid staff) are engaged with children during the formal education and care programme. While untrained and unpaid staff involved in the planning, evaluation and delivery of the curriculum count towards eligibility, any staff involved in administration or just on the premises (e.g. not engaged with the children) do not.

The main **language of communication** in the service is:

The service meets both of the following criteria:

(tick to acknowledge)

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Staff (both paid and unpaid) plan and evaluate the curriculum for children using the kaupapa/cultural framework associated with the main language of communication

And

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Staff (both paid and unpaid) deliver the curriculum for children using the main language of communication

You must complete this declaration in full or your application will not be processed.

To be completed by the Management of the named service

I confirm:

This service meets the required criteria for providing early childhood education in a language and culture other than English (including sign language) during the formal education and care programme.

The service will keep a staffing record for all periods that the service is open. This will clearly show:

- Names of the staff (both paid and unpaid), and
- Their main language of communication; and
- The hours for which staff members deliver the curriculum for children using the main language of communication.

Note that staff involved in administration or just on the premises do not count towards eligibility.

Funding for the “Language and Culture other than English” component of equity funding may be adjusted if the service is found not to meet the criteria.

I certify that the information in this application is correct.

Name	Signature
Designation	Date / /

Office use only

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Entered

Date entered:

/ /

Officer's initial:

Checked: