



## Early Childhood Education Directorate Convictions and Significant Enforcement Actions

Nominated Supervisor	Ms Lanieta Vakatawa
Service Name	Koala Long Day Care Centre
Type of Service	Centre based education and care service
Action Taken	Prosecution action against Ms Lanieta Vakatawa for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• one offence of failing to ensure adequate supervision of children - section 165(2) of the <i>Children (Education and Care Services) National Law (NSW)</i>.</li></ul>
Date of action	20 August 2020
Sentence	Convicted at Blacktown Local Court and fined a total of \$1,000.

### Proven offence:

Ms Lanieta Vakatawa, in her capacity as nominated supervisor, failed to ensure that the child was adequately supervised at all times that he was in the care of the service, in that she:

- failed to have in place and enforce a system to ensure that staff at the service knew where each child was at all time;
- failed to ensure that the child was monitored actively, diligently, or at all, between about 8:11am and 9:00am on 5 April 2019; and
- Placed the child in an extremely hazardous situation by enabling him to walk unsupervised on and near roads.