Education Adjustment Program

What’s new in 2020

The Education Adjustment Program (EAP) is used to allocate 75% of additional teachers and teacher aides in primary and secondary state schools and additional teachers and teacher aide for state special schools under the Students with Disability Funding model.

Changes have been made to the EAP Handbook to help streamline processes including:

- Clarifying when reviews will be required for EAP verifications
- Enabling schools to use existing plans and determine their own processes for completing EAP Profiles.

EAP verification reviews

In January 2020 changes were made to the EAP Handbook to align verification for Autism Spectrum Disorder to the National Guideline for Assessment and Diagnosis of Autism. Changes included removing the option for medical practitioners to indicate a review on the medical specialist form.

In August 2020 additional amendments have been made to the EAP Handbook to clarify for all disability categories that reviews will only be required if a student may not meet EAP criteria in the future.

This means that reviews will only be required for:

- criterion 1 if it is likely that the functional impact of the disability will improve or resolve over time.
- criterion 2 if a student may not require significant educational adjustments into the future.

State schools should note that in response to COVID-19 verifications with reviews due to expire in 2020, except for students in Year 12, will be included allocations to schools as outlined in the 2020-21 Key dates for targeted resourcing.
Completing EAP Profiles

The EAP Handbook has also been amended by removing the requirement that the process for completing an EAP Profile must involve the whole school team and in consultation with parents/students.

Schools are now able to determine their own processes for completing EAP Profiles and rely on already existing plans that document reasonable adjustment agreed with parents/students such as Individual Curriculum Plan, health and risk management plans and Individual Education Plans.