

Eco Explorers

Enrolment & intake — sensory-rich, nature-based play for our youngest explorers (0–4), alongside their grown-up.

Why we ask. This form helps us know your child, keep everyone safe outdoors, and be ready to respond if something comes up. There are no wrong answers, and you never need a diagnosis to tell us what your child needs — you are the expert on your child.

Your privacy. Information is collected under the Australian Privacy Principles and used only to run the program safely. It is stored securely, shared only with facilitators and, in an emergency, with medical responders. You can ask to see, correct or remove your information at any time.

01 Your child

The explorer we'll be getting to know.

CHILD'S NAME

NAME THEY LIKE TO BE CALLED (if different)

DATE OF BIRTH

PRONOUNS (optional)

LANGUAGE(S) AT HOME

02 Parents / caregivers & emergency contacts

Eco Explorers is parent/caregiver-accompanied — an adult who knows your child stays with them throughout. Please give at least two contactable people.

ACCOMPANYING ADULT — NAME

RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD

MOBILE

EMAIL

HOME ADDRESS

EMERGENCY CONTACT 2 — NAME

RELATIONSHIP

MOBILE

AUTHORISED TO COLLECT YOUR CHILD / ACT IN AN EMERGENCY IF YOU CAN'T BE REACHED

NAME

RELATIONSHIP

MOBILE

03 Getting to know your explorer

This is the part that helps us support your child well. Tell us as much or as little as feels useful.

Every child explores, plays, moves, communicates and regulates in their own way. We want to meet your child as they are — so please share what genuinely helps them, not what you think we want to hear.

WHAT LIGHTS YOUR CHILD UP? Interests, favourite play, what draws them in

HOW DOES YOUR CHILD COMMUNICATE? words, signs, gestures, AAC, sounds, body language — and how they show a yes or a no

SENSORY WORLD sounds, textures, movement, food, clothing, weather — what they seek out or find too much

FEELING SETTLED AGAIN what helps your child regulate or recover when overwhelmed, tired or upset; early signs they're getting there

TRANSITIONS & THE UNFAMILIAR how your child does with change, new places or new people — and what makes it easier

ANYTHING ELSE THAT HELPS US SUPPORT YOUR CHILD diagnoses welcome but never required — share only what's useful

LANGUAGE YOU'D LIKE US TO USE how you prefer your child described / supported

SUPPORTS, PLANS OR PROFESSIONALS ALREADY IN PLACE optional — NDIS supports, therapist, early intervention; and if we should work alongside...

04 Health & medical

So we can keep your child safe and respond quickly. Please attach any action plans where noted.

ALLERGIES list all known allergies and the reaction; note if any are severe / anaphylactic

ANAPHYLAXIS

- ☐ Child is at risk of anaphylaxis
- ☐ Adrenaline autoinjector (e.g. EpiPen) carried with child
- ☐ ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis attached

ASTHMA

- ☐ Child has asthma
- ☐ Reliever medication carried with child
- ☐ Asthma Action Plan attached

OTHER MEDICAL CONDITIONS e.g. epilepsy, diabetes, heart condition, hearing / vision — with anything we should watch for or do

MEDICATIONS any medication your child may need during the session, dose, and when / how it's given

DIETARY REQUIREMENTS medical, cultural or other

GP / MEDICAL PRACTICE

PRACTICE PHONE

05 Moving & playing outdoors

Our sessions involve uneven ground, natural materials, water and weather. This helps us plan the environment around your child.

MOVEMENT & MOBILITY how your child gets around, any physical considerations, and any support they use

AROUND WATER water play / creeks may feature — note experience and any need for closer supervision (accompanying adult stays responsible near water)

06 Understanding & accepting outdoor risk

Please read and tick each. Challenge and managed risk are part of how children learn outdoors.

Eco Explorers deliberately includes developmentally appropriate, managed risk — climbing, uneven terrain, natural loose parts, mud, sticks, weather and wildlife. Facilitators assess and manage the environment and run activities within their training. Because this is a parent/caregiver-accompanied program, the accompanying adult keeps primary duty of care and active supervision of their own child at all times.

- ☐ I understand outdoor nature play carries inherent risks that cannot be entirely removed, and I accept these risks on behalf of my child and myself. I confirm I (or my nominated adult) will actively supervise my child throughout each session.
- ☐ I confirm the information in this form is accurate, and I will tell facilitators of any changes to my child's health or needs.
- ☐ I have read and will follow the program's illness & wellness policy (keeping unwell children home, and telling facilitators of infectious illness).

07 Permissions

Choose Yes or No for each. There is no pressure either way — no is completely fine.

Emergency medical treatment. If you can't be reached and it's needed, I authorise facilitators to seek first aid, ambulance and medical treatment for my child. I accept responsibility for resulting costs.	☐ Yes	☐ No
Sunscreen & insect repellent. I consent to facilitators helping apply sun / insect protection if my child needs it (note any product to avoid in section 4).	☐ Yes	☐ No
Contact with animals & plants. I'm comfortable with my child's supervised contact with the natural environment (soil, plants, insects, animals we may meet).	☐ Yes	☐ No
Photos — internal use. Photos of my child may be taken for program records and shared privately with me.	☐ Yes	☐ No
Photos — promotion. Images including my child may be used on Axis Therapeutic Services' website and social media. You can change your mind anytime.	☐ Yes	☐ No

08 Sign off

By signing, you confirm you're the parent / legal guardian and that the above is complete and accurate.

PARENT / GUARDIAN NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE

Medical action plan & medication authority

Complete this page only if your child has a health condition needing a plan or medication during sessions. Attach a copy of each current plan, signed by your treating doctor.

CHILD'S NAME

DATE OF BIRTH

Please note. Action plans should be current (most are reviewed yearly) and match the medication your child carries. We keep a copy on file and take it to every session. Tell us straight away if a plan or medication changes.

PLANS ATTACHED (TICK ONE PER ROW, ADD REVIEW / EXPIRY DATE)

ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis	☐ Attached	☐ N/A	REVIEW / EXPIRY	
Asthma Action Plan	☐ Attached	☐ N/A	REVIEW / EXPIRY	
ASCIA Action Plan for Allergic Reactions	☐ Attached	☐ N/A	REVIEW / EXPIRY	
Epilepsy / seizure management plan	☐ Attached	☐ N/A	REVIEW / EXPIRY	
Other plan (write below)	☐ Attached	☐ N/A	REVIEW / EXPIRY	

OTHER PLAN — NAME / CONDITION

Medication to be available during sessions

List anything facilitators may need to help with, or that must be on hand.

MEDICATION NAME(S) & WHAT IT'S FOR

DOSE	HOW IT'S GIVEN (ROUTE)	WHEN / TRIGGERS

WHERE THE MEDICATION IS KEPT & HOW IT'S STORED e.g. in child's bag, adult carries it, needs cool storage

In an emergency

In your words — what to watch for and what you'd want us to do.

EARLY SIGNS TO WATCH FOR

WHAT TO DO / FIRST RESPONSE

AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER

I authorise Eco Explorers facilitators to assist my child with the medication and plan(s) above, and to follow the attached plan in an emergency. Because this is a parent/caregiver-accompanied program, the accompanying adult administers medication where they are present.

PARENT / GUARDIAN NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

Policies acknowledgement

Please tick each to confirm you've read it, then sign at the bottom. Full copies are in your enrolment pack and available on request — ask us anytime if anything's unclear.

- ☐ **Supervision & duty of care** — Eco Explorers is parent/caregiver-accompanied; the adult attending keeps active supervision and primary duty of care for their own child.
- ☐ **Managed risk & risky play** — Sessions include developmentally appropriate challenge and natural hazards; facilitators assess and manage the environment within their training.
- ☐ **Child safe commitment** — We uphold the Victorian Child Safe Standards — children's safety, wellbeing and voice come first, and all facilitators hold current Working with Children Checks.
- ☐ **Illness & wellness** — Keep unwell children home, and let us know of infectious illness so we can inform other families.
- ☐ **Sun & weather protection** — SunSmart practices apply; sessions may be changed or cancelled for extreme heat, storms, total fire ban or unsafe conditions.
- ☐ **Emergency & evacuation** — Facilitators carry first aid and a communication plan for each site and will direct families in an emergency.
- ☐ **Privacy & information handling** — Your information is handled under the Australian Privacy Principles, stored securely, and shared only to run the program safely.
- ☐ **Photography & media** — Photos are only taken and used in line with the permissions you set on the intake form; you can change these anytime.
- ☐ **Respectful participation** — We keep sessions welcoming and inclusive; families support their own child's participation and treat others with respect.
- ☐ **Payment, bookings & cancellation** — Booking, payment and cancellation terms for your place are set out in your enrolment pack.
- ☐ **Feedback & complaints** — We welcome feedback and concerns and will respond fairly and promptly — please talk to us.

I confirm I have read and understood the policies above and agree to follow them while taking part in Eco Explorers with my child.

PARENT / GUARDIAN NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE