

## Out of Home Care Program

### Guidelines for OOHC program funding support

**OOHC funding should only be considered if an identified need cannot be met with existing resources.**

OOHC funding is short term to support students in **statutory OOHC** who are experiencing difficulties in successfully engaging with education because of their care circumstances particularly as they transition into and between care settings and schools. This supplementary funding can only be used as salary for teacher or school learning support officer time.

To support areas of identified need schools may request **up to 30 SLSO hours and up to 0.5 teacher day**. Planning and programming can be supported by the ST OOHC (Support Teacher OOHC).

***If the LST wishes to request more than 30 SLSO hours the ST OOHC will discuss this request with the relevant OOHC Coordinator***

#### Application Process

- ✓ The OOHC application, Cover Sheet and Education Plan should be formulated as part of the school LST process.
- ✓ The Cover Sheet and Education Plan (including how the SLSO/teacher time will be utilised to support the student) **should** be completed as part of each OOHC application.
- ✓ A second application will only be considered in extenuating circumstances.

#### Evaluation of OOHC Program Support

- ✓ The ST OOHC will email *the Evaluation of OOHC Program support* to the principal 5 weeks after the approval date.