FA5-1 REVIEW OF NQF STAFFING AND QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS



#### **About this review**



## **Shaping Our Future**

A ten-year strategy to ensure a sustainable, high-quality children's education and care workforce 2022–2031



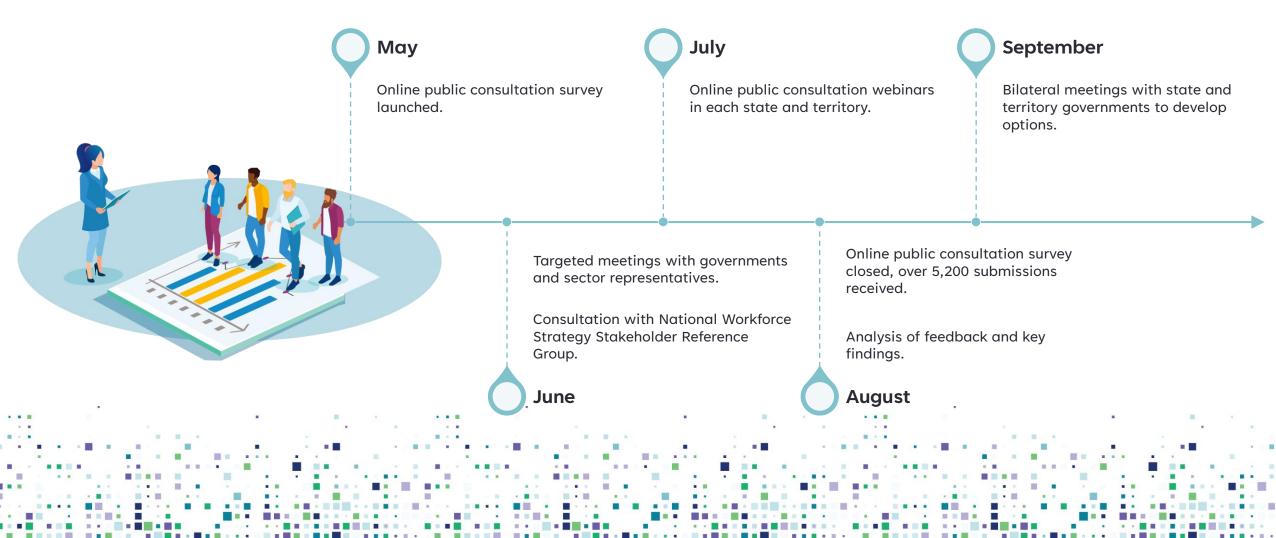
#### FA5-1: What needs to be done?

A comprehensive review of staffing and qualification regulations, with a focus on the requirements for early childhood teachers, expiring transitional provisions and outside school hours care educators.

Develop options to improve the **consistency**, support the **quality**, and reduce the **complexity** of the current requirements.



## **Consultation approach**



# **Key findings**



Strong **aspiration** for highly qualified workforce, but acknowledging acute workforce challenges

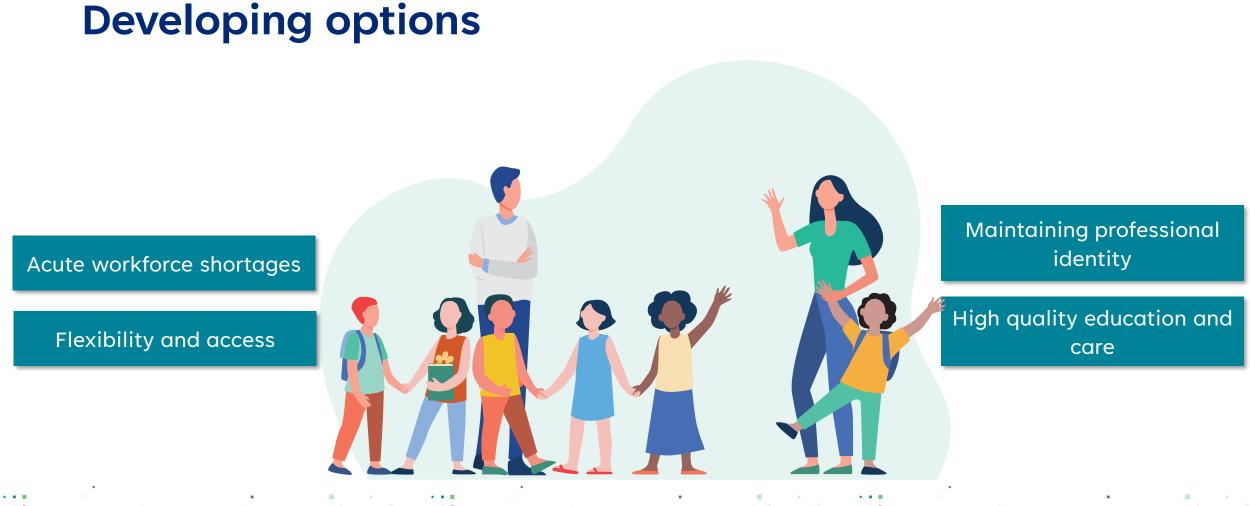


Current qualified workforce **committed** to continuous quality improvement and best practice



Support for **flexibility** provided quality and safety is maintained





## **Developing options**

Expiring transitional provisions

Provide flexibility for the services experiencing acute shortages without compromising quality.

Requirements for outside school hours care

Improving national consistency while recognising 'distance to travel' and minimum expectations for skills and knowledge. Requirements for early childhood teachers

Aligning practice with broader education profession, such as ICT, mentoring and communities of practice.

General provisions

Strategies to improve completion rates, 'actively working towards' and access to training in geographically isolated areas.

### Next steps and considerations



Sector readiness and distance to travel



Alignment with other sector reform and reviews

Ongoing cycle of reflection and evaluation



