

Media release



Visionary First Nations leader sought for Goodstart Senior Executive Team

Goodstart Early Learning is recruiting for a visionary First Nations leader to join its Senior Leadership Team as Chief First Nations Officer.

The new executive position will report to the CEO and work closely with the Board and Senior Leadership Team.

Goodstart CEO Dr Ros Baxter said the role will guide the strategic direction and delivery of Goodstart's reconciliation commitments, with a strong focus on measurably improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

"This pivotal role will be key in our commitment to bolder and braver actions to create more positive social change for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people", she said.

"We're looking for a visionary leader with deep cultural authority and broad lived experience.

"At Goodstart we weave reconciliation through everything we do, and our new Chief First Nations Officer will be leading the implementation of the Stretch RAP and Goodstart's *First Nations Choose Us* employment strategy while ensuring cultural perspectives are embedded in our decision making.

"They will be an advocate for truth-telling, cultural responsiveness, and social justice across Goodstart's 677 centres, as well as our national advocacy work.

"All Goodstarters will benefit from the strategic foresight, cultural integrity, and the courage to champion truth-telling and systemic reform this new role will bring to our organisation.

"This pivotal new role will help shape reconciliation at scale and drive systemic reform across Australia's largest early learning provider."

How to apply:

- Pipeline Talent Website: <https://www.pipelinetalent.com.au/jobview/chief-first-nations-officer/4231305e-73c4-478e-88ef-9e11080b53d0/>
- DreamJobz: <https://www.dreamjobz.com.au/job-details/35804/chief-first-nations-officer-goodstart-early-learning/>
- LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/jobs/view/4311238299>
- Ethical Jobs: <https://www.ethicaljobs.com.au/members/pipelinetalent/chief-first-nations-officer-goodstart-early-learning?keywords=chief%20first%20nations%20officer>



For more information

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Notes for editors

Goodstart Early Learning Group (including Big Fat Smile) is Australia's largest early learning provider with 677 centres nationwide supporting 64,000 children in every State and Territory. We're a not-for-profit social enterprise committed to improving the lives of Australia's children and their families. For more information, visit goodstart.org.au.

Acknowledgement of country

Goodstart acknowledges all Traditional Custodians across Australia and recognises First Nations peoples' continued cultural and spiritual connection to the land, sky and waterways that surround us. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.