Application process for disability service providers

I work with children with a disability.

Is the work covered under the blue card system?

Yes

Does an exemption apply?

There are a number of instances where a person may be exempt from requiring a blue card. These might include:

- registered teachers
- police officers, and
- registered health practitioners.

Please check the specific category that is relevant to your work. See the full list of exemptions at www.bluecard.qld.gov.au.

No

A blue card is required.

Yes

Are you engaged by a service provider funded under the Disability Services Act 2006 and do you also work with adults?

Yes

If an exemption applies, you do not require a blue card.

Please note: Registered teachers and police officers should apply for an exemption card by submitting an Exemption card (E) application form.

If you were engaged by a service provider funded under the Disability Services Act 2006 and you work with adults, you may require a yellow card. Please contact the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services for information about your yellow card requirements.

No

Please note that if you only work with adults with a disability, you are not screened by the blue card system.

If you work for a service provider funded under the Disability Services Act 2006, please refer to the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services website at www.communities.qld.gov.au for information about the yellow card system.

If you are engaged by a funded disability service provider and work with children and adults with a disability... please complete a Blue card and yellow card exemption (Y) application form.

If you are a paid employee... you can commence work once this application has been lodged with Blue Card Services with the prescribed application fee.

If you are a volunteer or trainee student... you cannot commence child-related work until you hold a valid blue card. Your application for a yellow card exemption is not deemed to be lodged with the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services until the Department has received advice from Blue Card Services confirming that a blue card has been issued.

If you are engaged by a person carrying on a regulated business as a funded non-government disability service provider... Please complete a Blue card business (BCB) application form and lodge it with the prescribed fee with Blue Card Services. You will need a blue card before you commence carrying on a regulated child-related business.

If you are a person carrying on a regulated business as a funded non-government disability service provider...

For more information about the specific categories of regulated employment and business, go to www.bluecard.qld.gov.au

The categories include:

- Health, counselling and support services (including disability services)
- Licensed care services
- Residential facilities
- Schools (other than teachers and parents)
- Sport and active recreation

Please lodge the completed application form with Blue Card Services through our website, in person, by post or by fax. The employer listed on the application form will now receive any relevant updates about the status of the blue card. This includes notice of a suspension or cancellation of a blue card.