



# STEM Professionals in Schools – Working with Children Checks

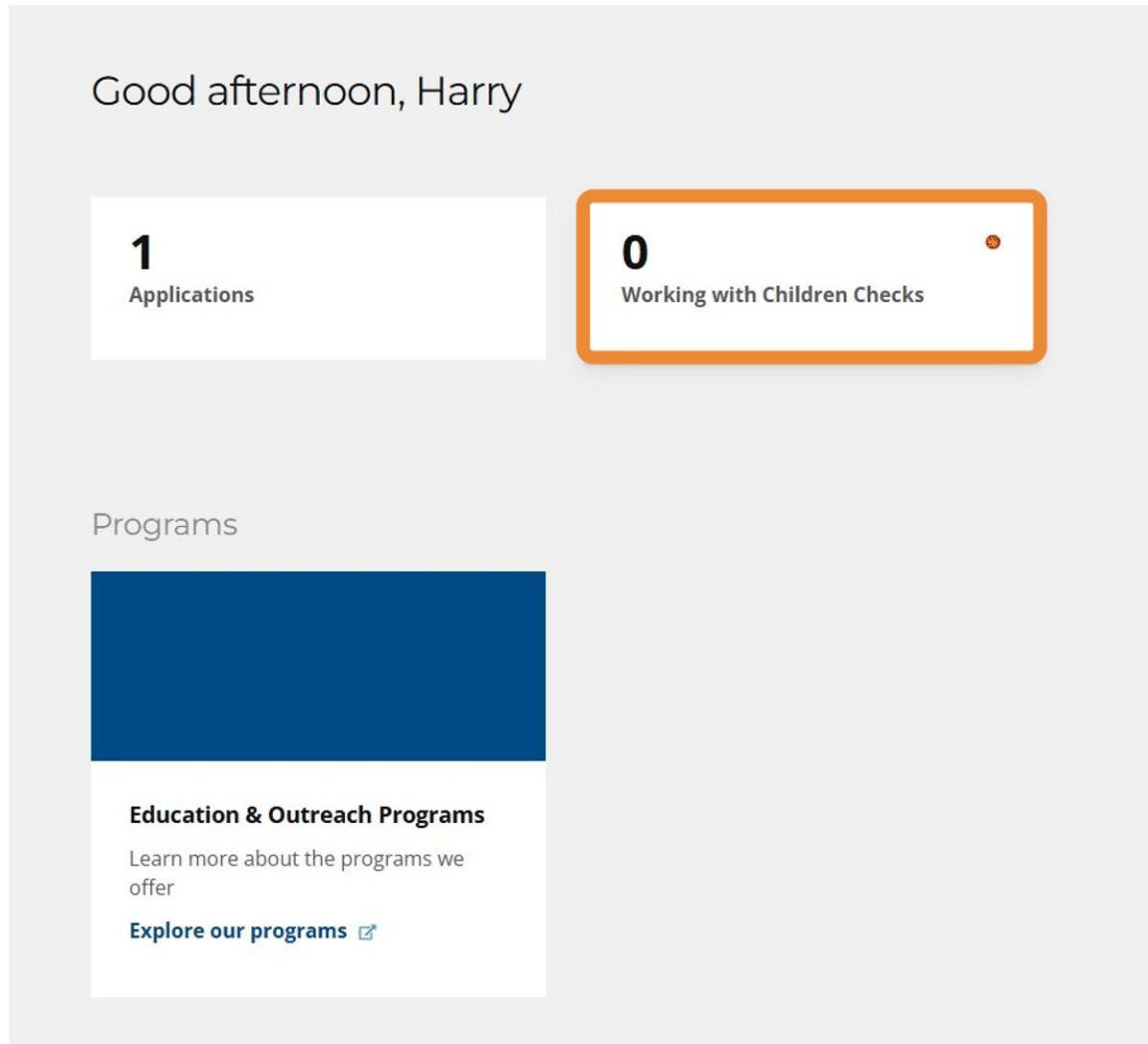
## How-to Guide to Managing Working with Children Check requirements in the Education Portal

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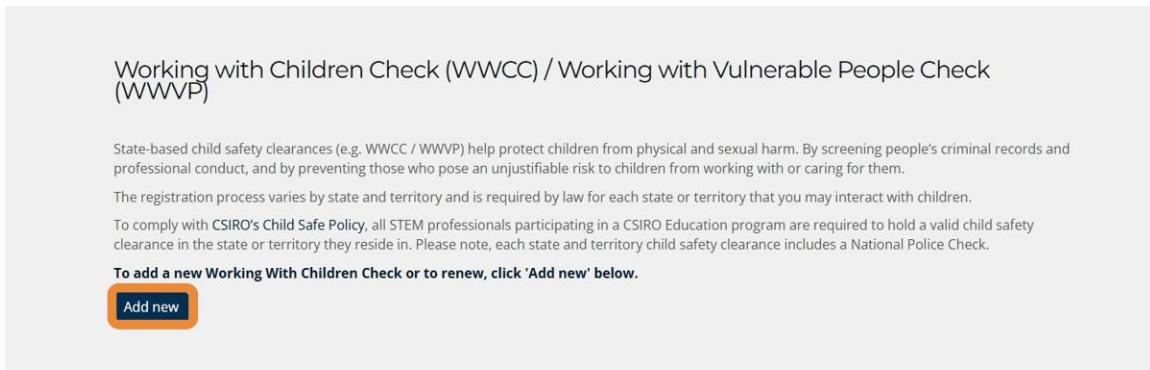
**Applying for a Working with Children Check (WWCC)**

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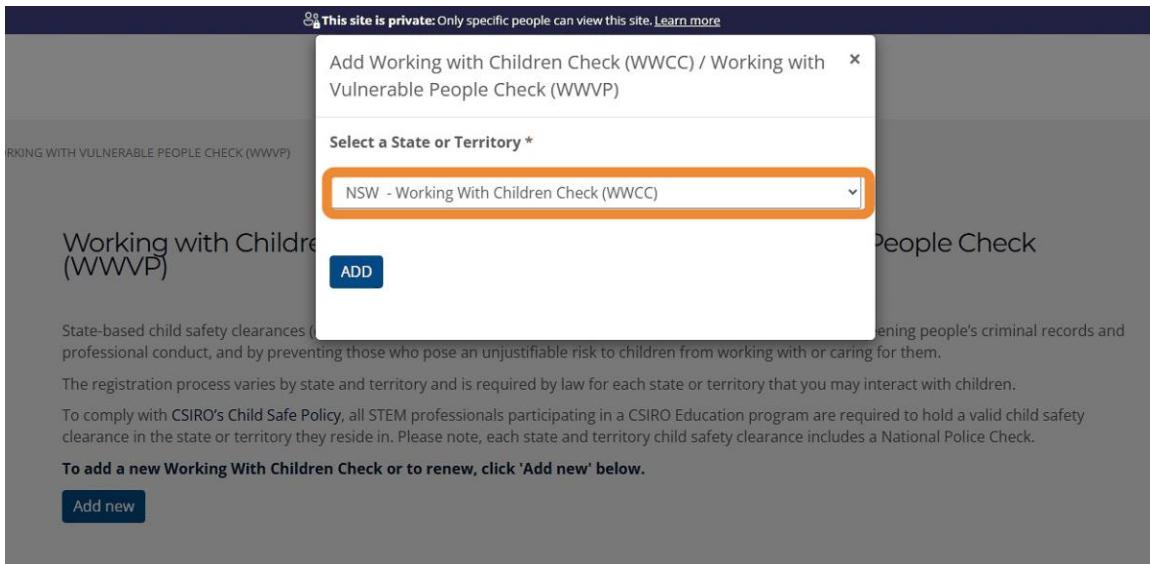
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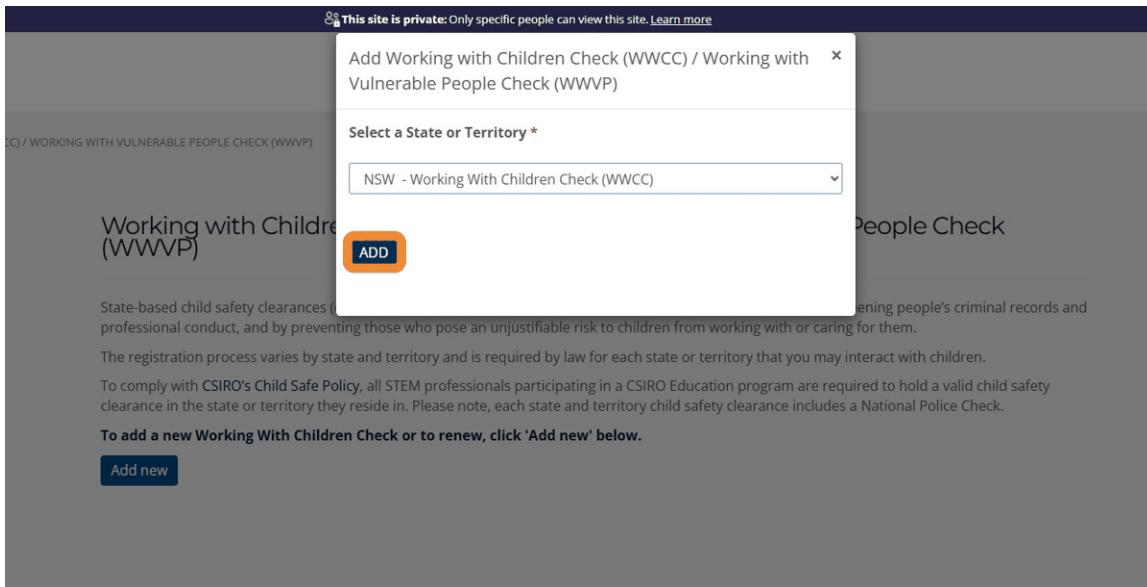
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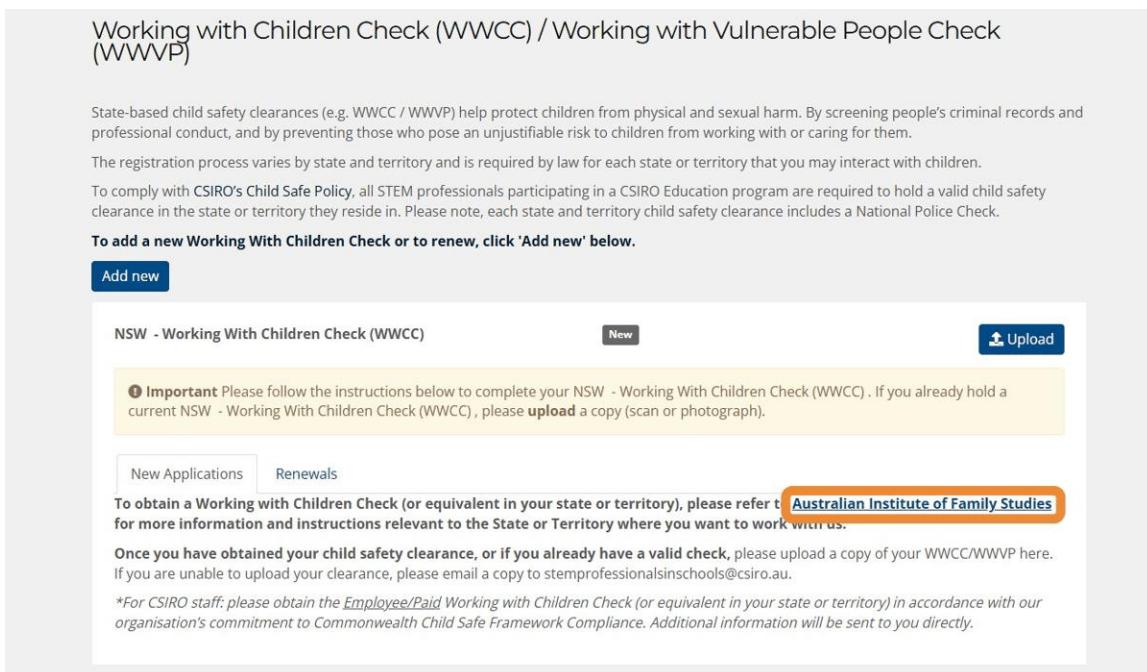
3. Now select your state or territory from the drop-down menu.



4. To add this state or territory to your record Click the 'Add' button.



5. To obtain a Working with Children Check (or equivalent in your state or territory), please follow the link to [Australian Institute of Family Studies](#) for more information and instructions relevant to the State or Territory where you want to work with us.



6. A new browser tab will open on the Australian Institute of Family Studies web page. Here you will find both general information on WWCC and information specific to your state or territory.

Working With Children Checks, Working With Vulnerable People Checks and Police Checks

**Overview**

This resource sheet provides an overview of screening checks for people who engage with vulnerable groups such as children in employment or volunteer activities in Australia. It outlines information about Working With Children Checks (WWCC), Working With Vulnerable People Checks (WWVPC) and Police Checks, their requirements and state/territory contact information. This resource is intended for employers, current and prospective employees and volunteers engaging in child-related work in Australia. It answers common questions related to pre-employment screening checks and provides state and territory requirements for working with children, including contact information for state/territory screening services.

The information provided is to be used as a guide only. Individuals are encouraged to check the currency of any information that is provided by contacting relevant departments or organisations. All enquiries about obtaining WWCCs, WWVPCs and Police Checks should be made to the state or territory government department responsible.

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**Project** Child Family Community Australia

**Content type** Resource sheet

**Related topics**

- Child abuse and neglect
- Child-safe organisations
- Working with children and young people

7. To find information on the WWCC in your state or territory, scroll down the page until you find the appropriate one.

Australian Capital Territory

New South Wales

Northern Territory

Queensland

South Australia

Tasmania

Victoria

Western Australia

8. You will now be able to scroll through and read the information provided on the Working with Children Check in your state and territory.

New South Wales

## New South Wales

### Legislation

- [Child Protection \(Working with Children\) Act 2012 \(NSW\) No. 51](#)
- [Child Protection \(Working with Children\) Regulation 2013 \(NSW\)](#)

### Screening check name

Working with Children Check (WWCC)

### Valid for

5 years

### Who is required to obtain a check

- employees and volunteers aged 18 years or older working in child-related roles, where contact with children is a usual part of the work, and not just incidental
- adults who reside or stay regularly on the property of an authorised carer, home-based education and care service providers, family daycare service providers, potential adoptive parents, and heads (e.g. chief executive officers) of organisations captured by the Child Safe Scheme

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9. When you reach the section **Where to apply** you will find a link to “How to apply” for a Working with Children Check in your state or territory. Follow the instructions provided on this ‘How to Apply’ link to obtain your Working with Children Check.

### Worker and employer obligations

- Individuals are required to provide original, current proof-of-identity documents when applying or renewing their WWCC.
- Individuals are legally required to update their contact details within 3 months of changes being made.
- Employers operating within a child-related industry are required to [register online](#) with the NSW Office of the Children's Guardian (OCG).
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- Employers must keep up-to-date records for each worker or volunteer who works with children, including: their full name, date of birth, WWCC number, verification date, verification outcome, expiry dates, their work status.
- Penalties may apply for non-compliance.

### Who applies

Individuals are responsible for their own application for certification.

### For more information

[Working with Children Check](#) - Office of the Children's Guardian

### Where to apply

Online [How to apply for a WWCC](#) - Office of the Children's Guardian

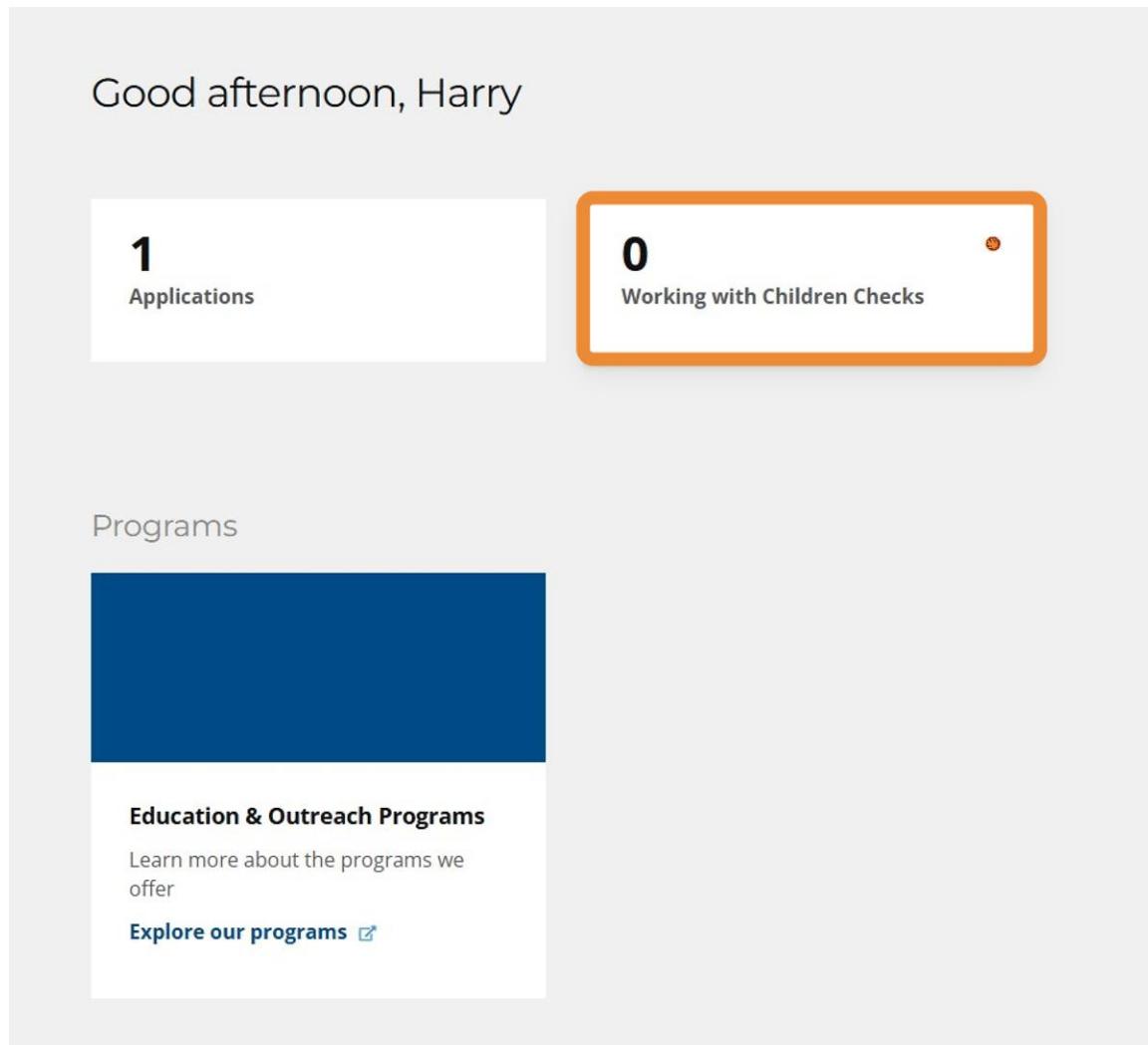
10. It may take several weeks to receive your Working with Children Check depending on your state or territory. Once you have received your WWCC documentation,

please follow the instructions in the section [Uploading your Working with Children Check information](#) of this document.

## Uploading your Working with Children Check information

11. Once you have obtained your Working with Children Check Sign into the Education Portal <https://education.csiro.au/>

12. From the dashboard select the 'Working with Children Check' tile.



13. To upload your Working with Children Check click the Upload button.

## Working with Children Check (WWCC) / Working with Vulnerable People Check (WWVP)

State-based child safety clearances (e.g. WWCC / WWVP) help protect children from physical and sexual harm. By screening people's criminal records and professional conduct, and by preventing those who pose an unjustifiable risk to children from working with or caring for them.

The registration process varies by state and territory and is required by law for each state or territory that you may interact with children.

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**To add a new Working With Children Check or to renew, click 'Add new' below.**

**Add new**

NSW - Working With Children Check (WWCC)

New

 Upload

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New Applications

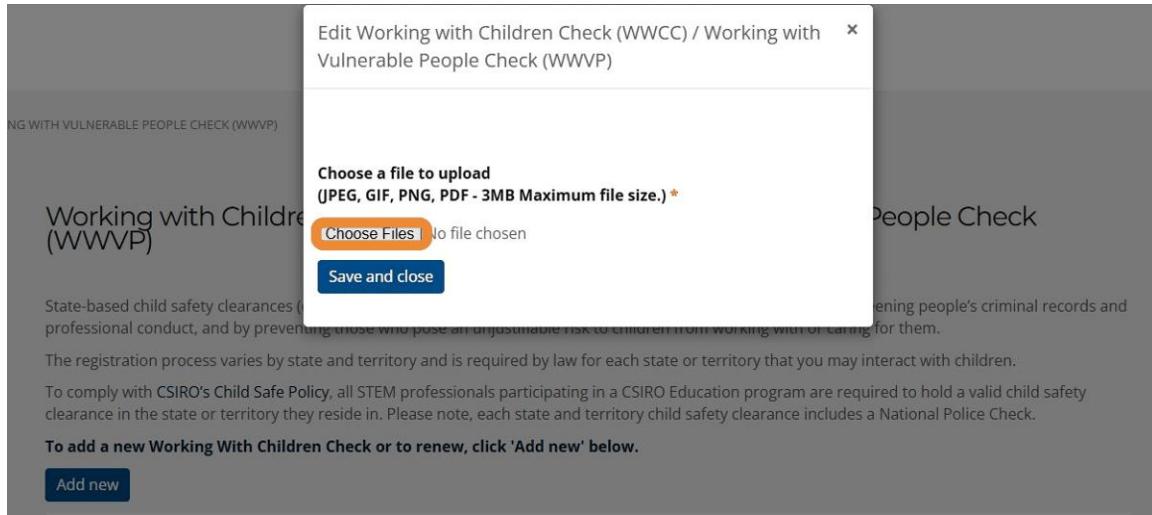
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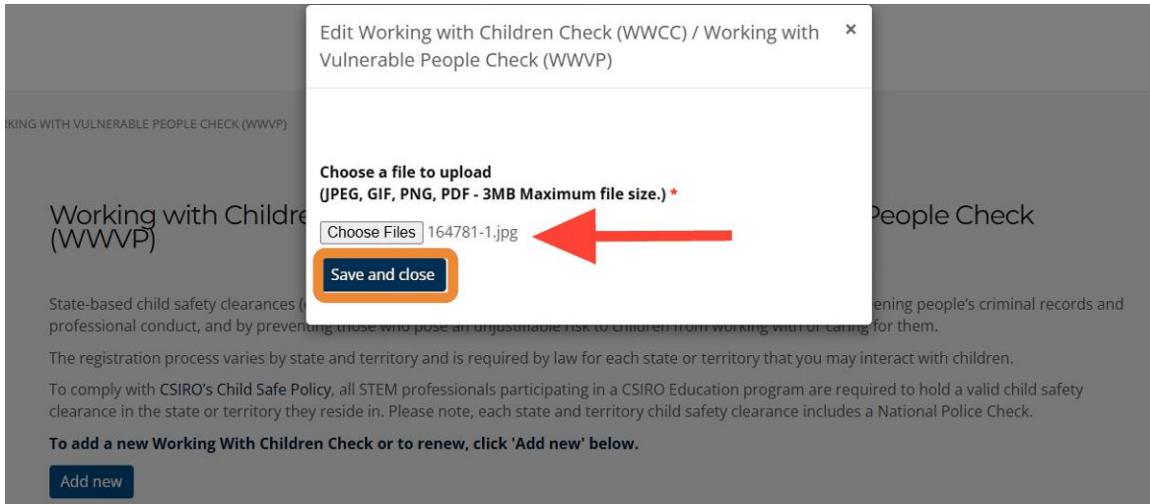
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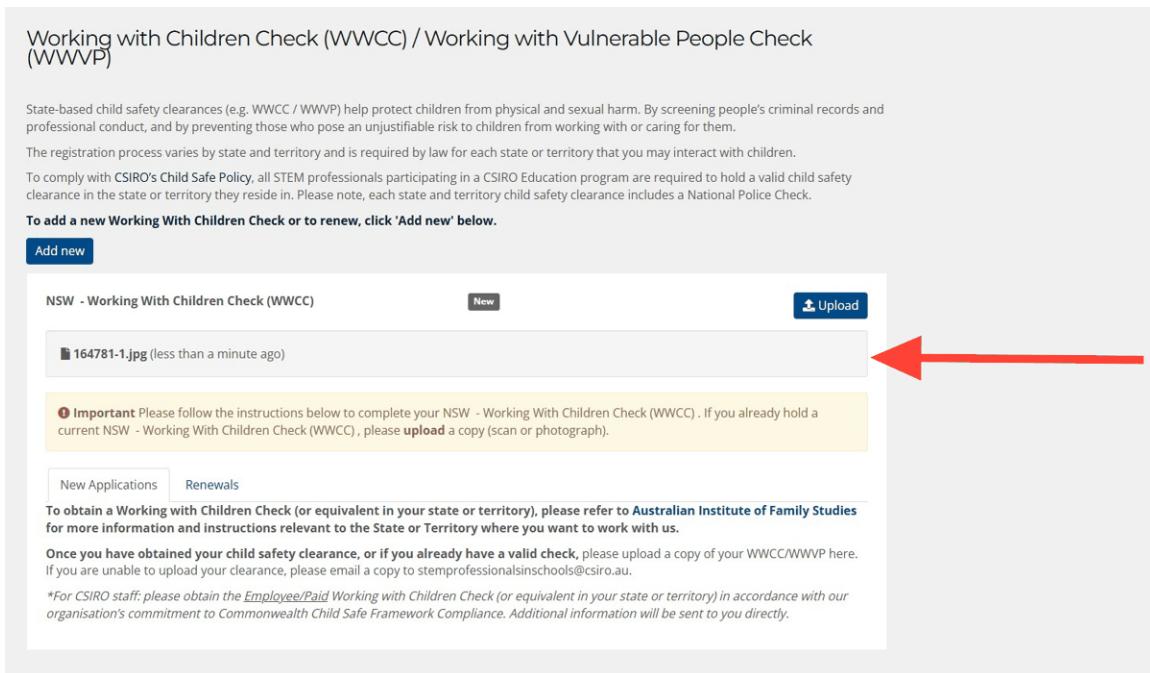
### 14. Click the **Choose Files** button and select your file to upload from your device



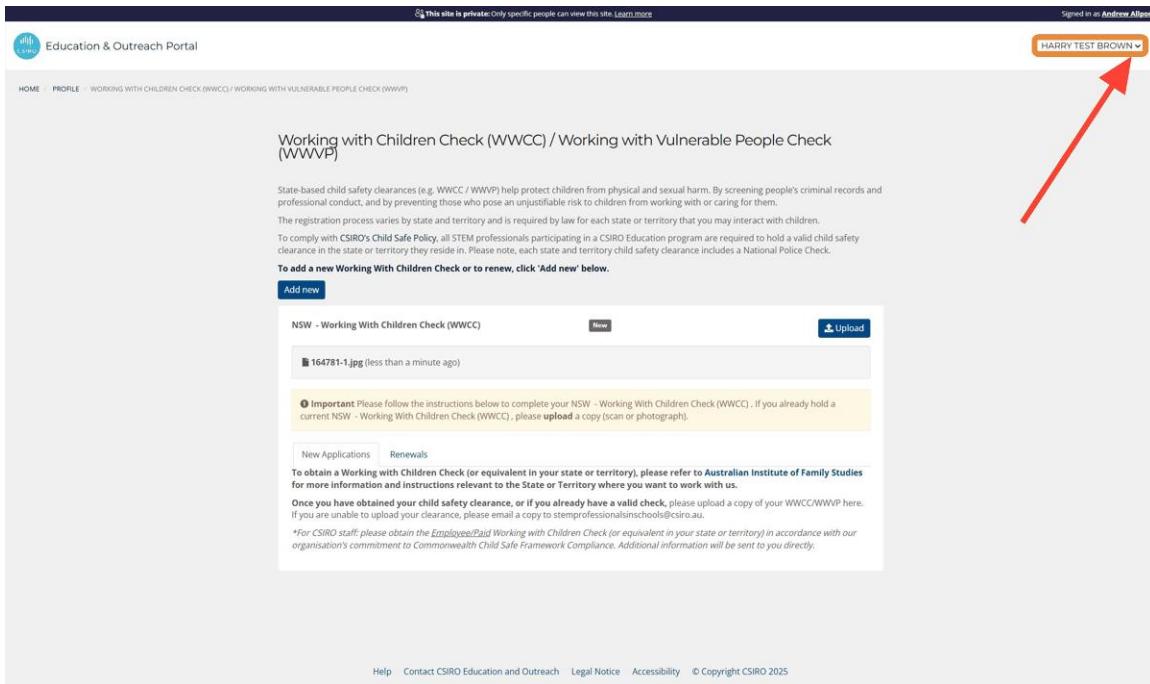
15. The name of your file will now appear next to the **Choose File** button. You may now click the **Save & close** button to complete the upload of your file.



16. Your uploaded file will appear here on the Working with Children Check page.



17. You can now return to your dashboard, click on your name at the top of the screen to access the dropdown menu



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Signed in as Andrew Allport

Education & Outreach Portal

HOME PROFILE WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC) / WORKING WITH VULNERABLE PEOPLE CHECK (WWVP)

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Add new

NSW - Working With Children Check (WWCC)

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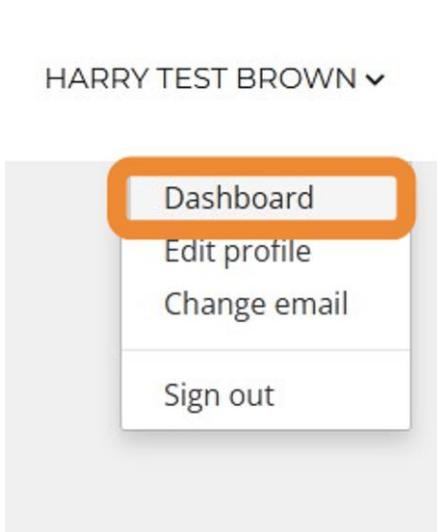
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18. Click Dashboard



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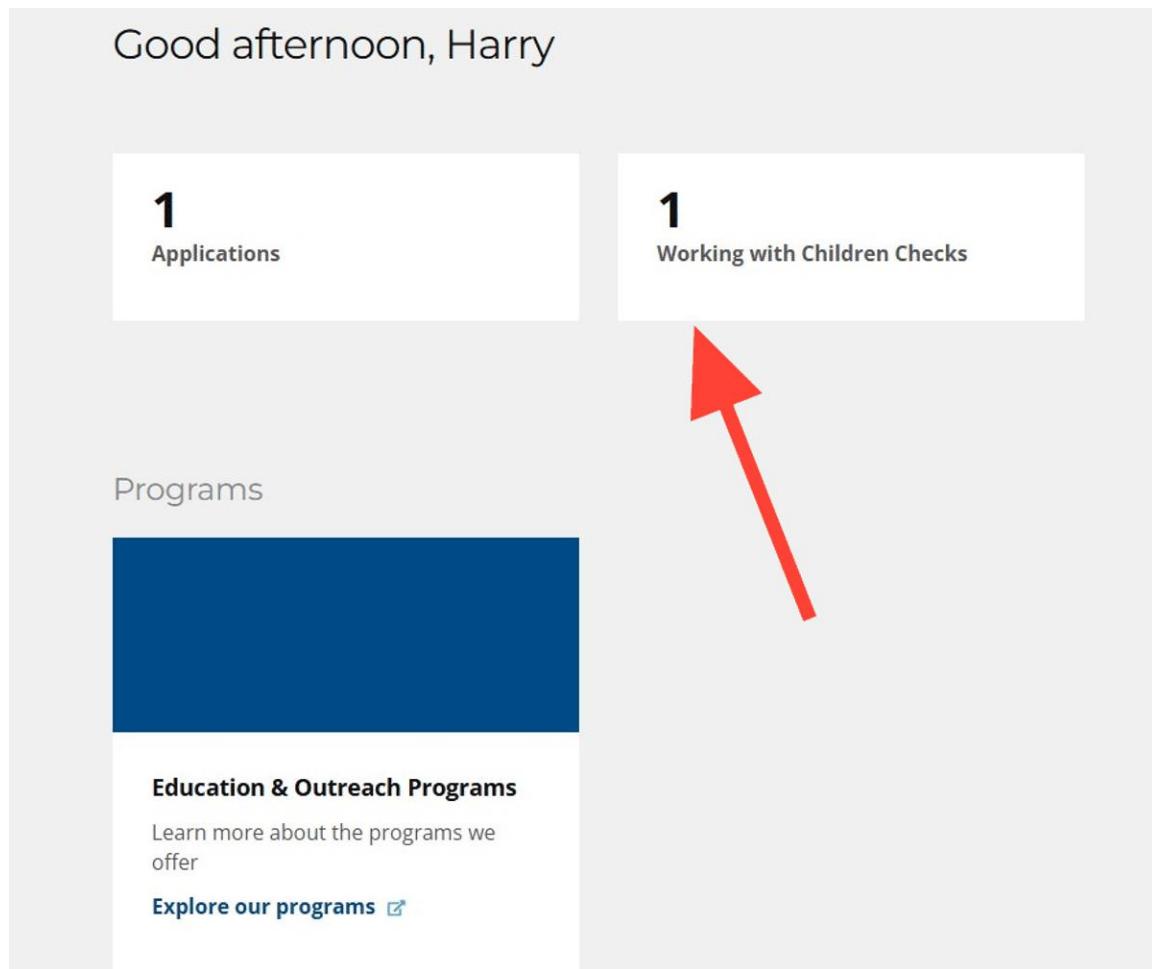
Dashboard

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Sign out

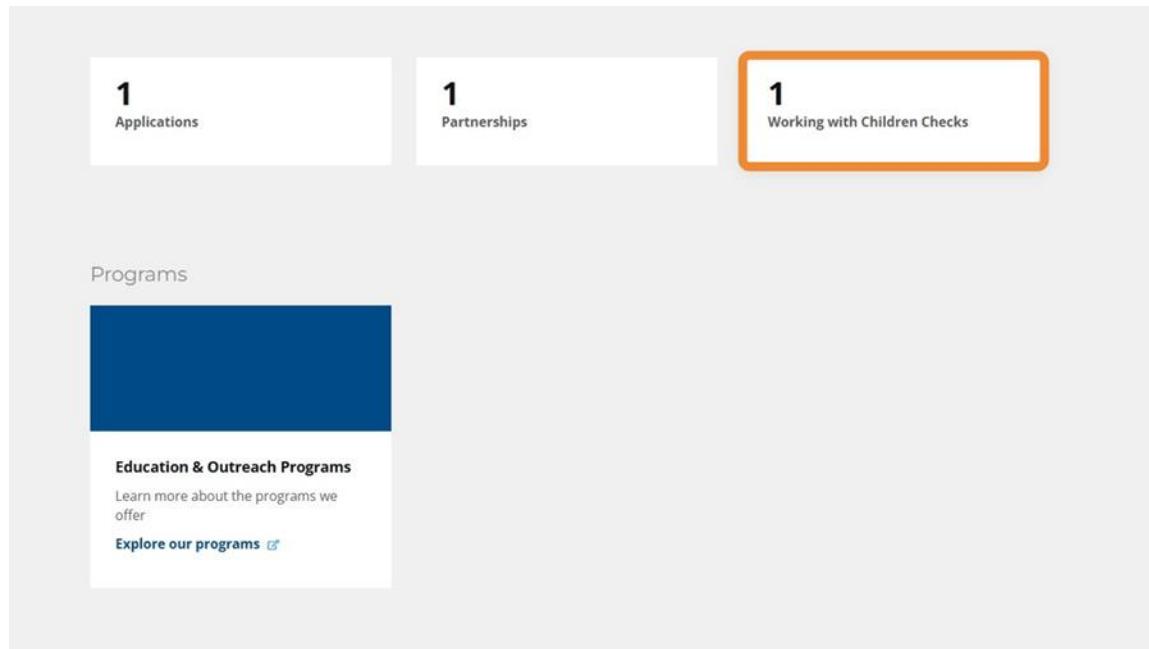
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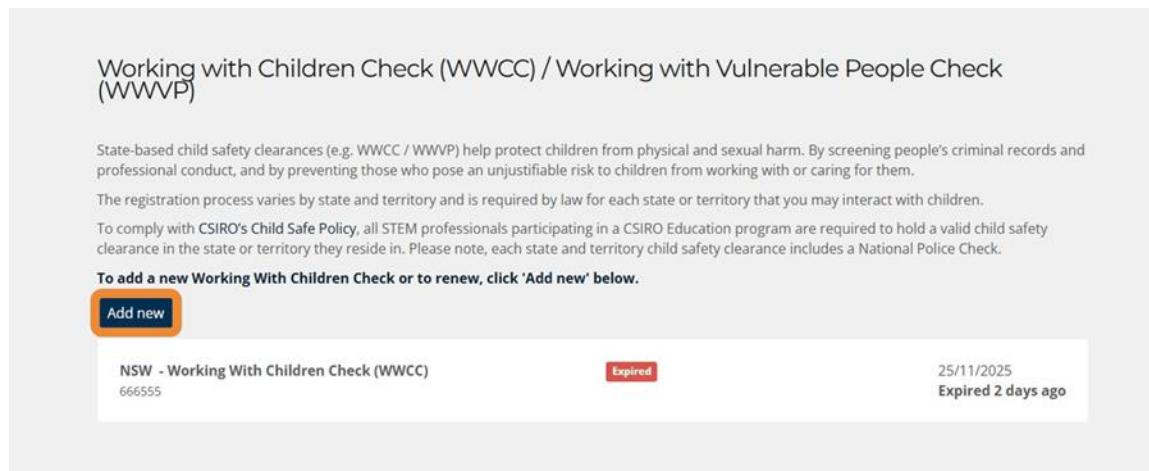
## Renewing your Working with Children Check

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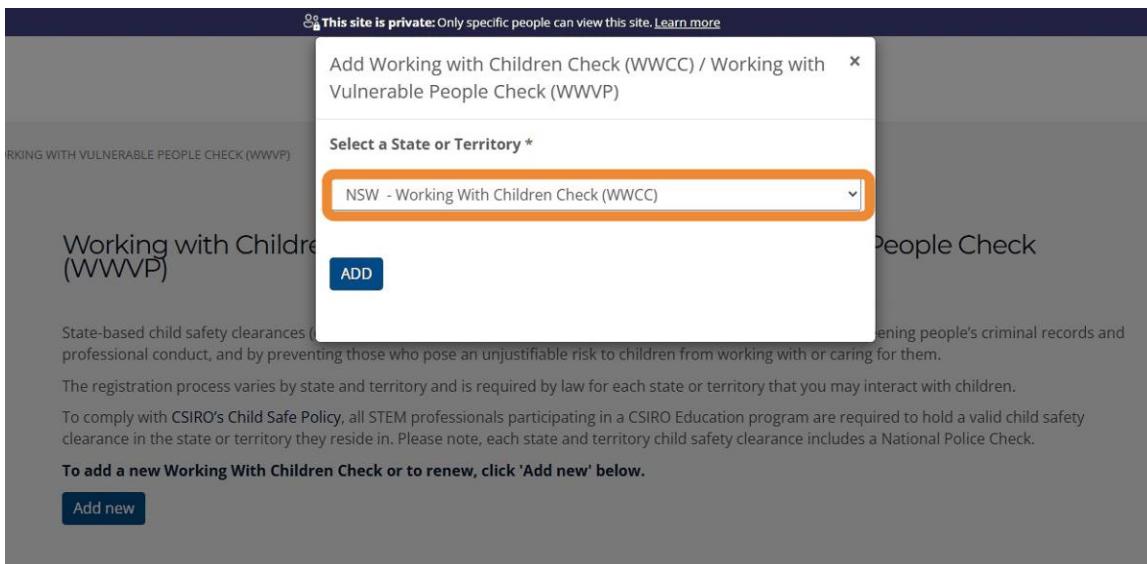
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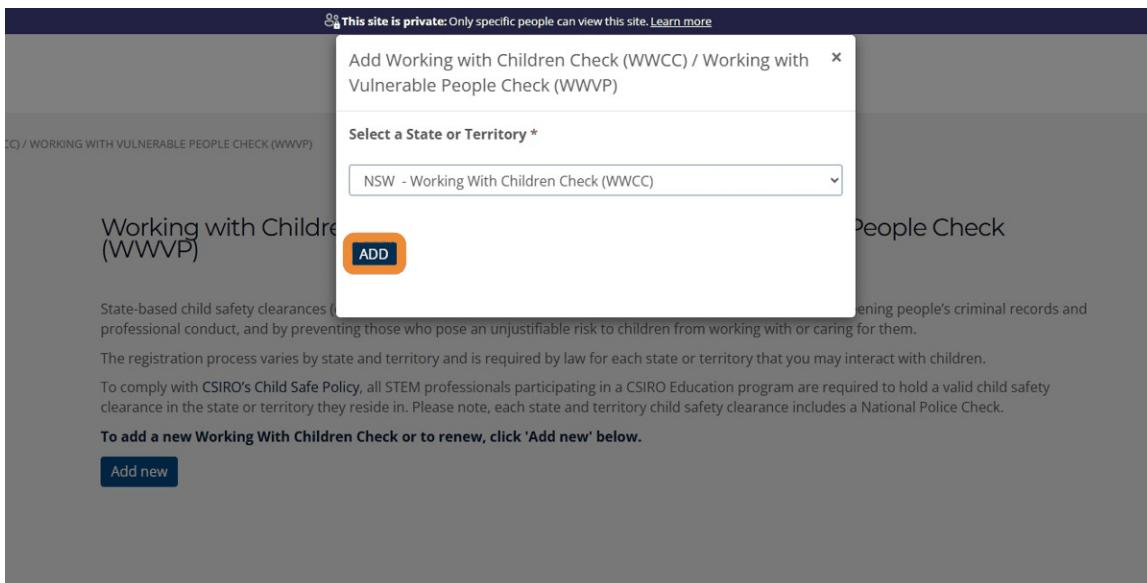
22. Click on **Add new** button.



23. Now select your state or territory from the drop-down menu.



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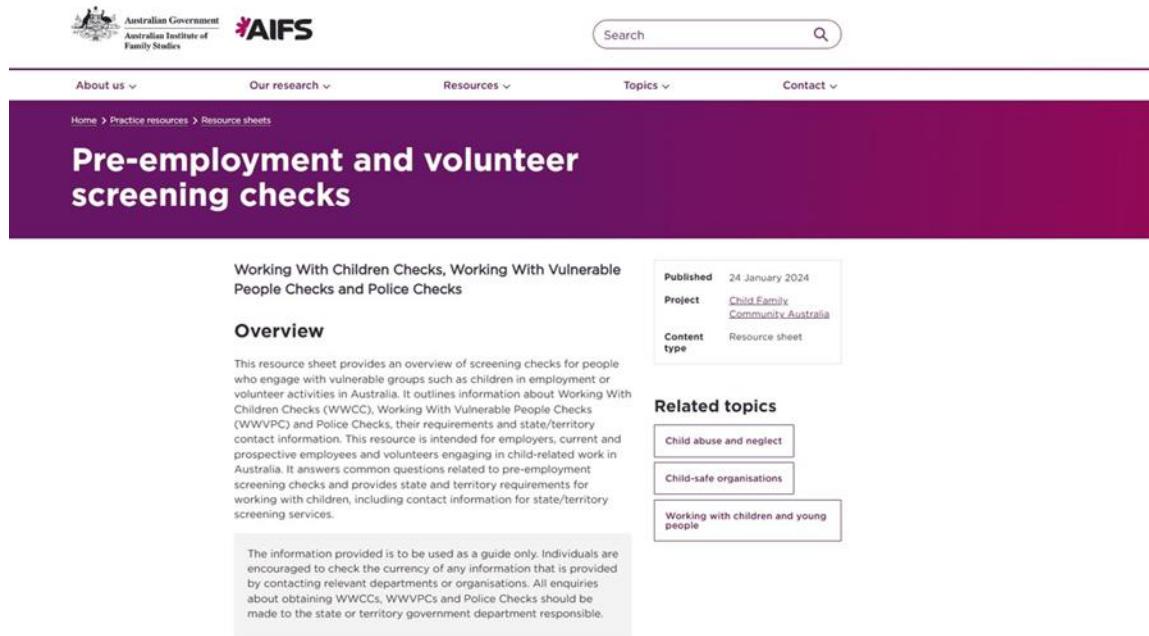
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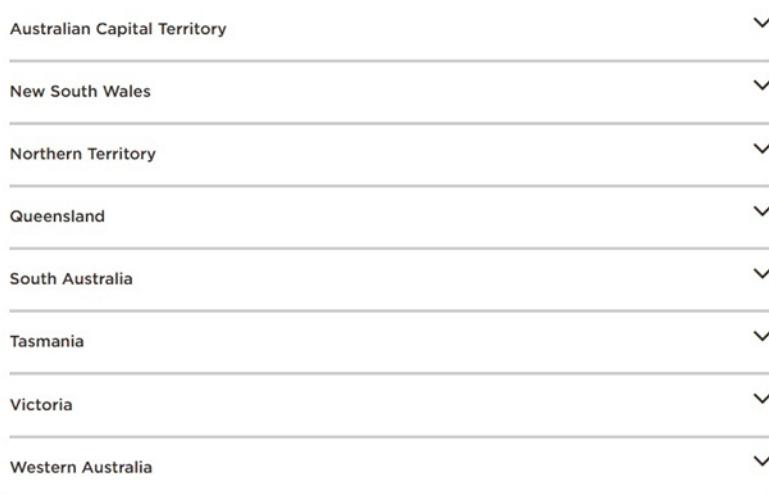
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- Header:** Australian Government Australian Institute of Family Studies, AIFS logo, Search bar, Topics dropdown.
- Breadcrumbs:** Home > Practice resources > Resource sheets
- Title:** Pre-employment and volunteer screening checks
- Section:** Working With Children Checks, Working With Vulnerable People Checks and Police Checks
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29. To find information on the WWCC in your state or territory, scroll down the page until you find the appropriate one.



A list of Australian states and territories with dropdown arrows:

- Australian Capital Territory
- New South Wales
- Northern Territory
- Queensland
- South Australia
- Tasmania
- Victoria
- Western Australia

30. You will now be able to scroll through and read the information provided on the Working with Children Check in your state and territory.

New South Wales

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## New South Wales

### Legislation

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### Screening check name

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**For more information**

[Working with Children Check - Office of the Children's Guardian](#)

**Where to apply**

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## Support

If you experience any difficulties while completing the WWCC, please contact a CSIRO Education Officer.

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