

# Change to NDIS Worker Screening engagement verification process for tertiary and TAFE students

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Nationally consistent worker screening for the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) commenced in Queensland on 1 February 2021.

Tertiary and TAFE students who require an NDIS worker screening check for their placement in a risk assessed role with a registered NDIS provider can apply through the new automated online application system. As part of the application process, NDIS providers are required to verify engagement of their workers, including students, through the NDIS Worker Screening Database operated by the NDIS Commission.

Feedback from the sector was that the worker verification process for students would be best undertaken by the university or Registered Training Organisation they are studying through rather than the NDIS provider hosting their placement. To address this feedback, universities and Registered Training Organisations are now able to request access to the NDIS Worker Screening Database for the purpose of verifying student applications. More information on this process is available on the [NDIS Commission website](#).

It is the responsibility of registered NDIS providers to ensure students attending placements in risk assessed roles have a clearance before starting. They must link to the student through the NWSD at the start of the placement and delink at the end of the placement.

Students must also complete and submit the 'Change in engagement' [form](#) to the Queensland Worker Screening unit within 14 days of starting or ending placement with a registered NDIS provider.

A new fact sheet about screening requirements for students has been created and is available on the [resources page](#) of the worker screening website.

Further information about disability worker screening in Queensland can be found on the [Worker Screening Website](#).