## Job Description

	Current as at: 21 January 2015
	CHILDCARE ASSISTANT
	YMCA HEALTH AND FITNESS CENTRES
POSITION LEVEL	Part Time / Casual – Children's Services Award 2010
REPORTS TO	Child Care Director / Coordinator, Vacation Care Coordinator, Centre Manager, or other person who may from time to time be nominated.
SUPERVISES	All children attending LHC, Childminding or Vacation Care Programs.
PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES	<ol> <li>Assist in the National Quality Framework and the provision of quality programs for children taking into consideration the following criteria:         <ul> <li>The provision of experiences that enhance a child's total development</li> <li>Understanding age appropriate expectations of children.</li> <li>Sensitivity to and understanding of the cultural, logistic, religious and racial diversity.</li> <li>Recognition and sensitivity to a child's interest, individuality, differing activities and needs of each child.</li> <li>To create a warm, caring and happy environment for all children in the centre.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Liaise effectively with parents and staff under supervision of the Director or Coordinator.</li> <li>Attend staff meetings and training opportunities that are provided and assist in the promotion of a team environment.</li> <li>Be aware of the Workplace Health &amp; Safety Regulation and Government Child Care Regulations assisting in the provision of a safe and Healthy environment for both staff and children.</li> <li>Be aware of the cleaning roster and actively participate in daily cleaning duties and requirements.</li> <li>Actively participate in the quality assurance process.</li> <li>Assist Director or Coordinator in conducting and maintaining fire drills and evacuation procedures as required.</li> <li>To work with the Director / Coordinator in the development of marketing and promotional strategies to maximise centre usage capacity.</li> <li>Conduct daily travel paths of the work area.</li> <li>Be part of the customer service survey process.</li> <li>Continually monitor the cleanliness, safety, security and presentation of the centre in conjunction with all other staff.</li> <li>To keep up to date with current legal issues impacting on the child care industry.</li> <li>Follow direction and instruction of Coordinator or Director.</li> <li>Other duties as required</li></ol>

## **Vacation Care and Limited Hours Care Specific** 24. Hold an understanding of the National Quality Framework and assist with its implementation into the daily program 25. Have a thorough understanding of the Quality Improvement Plan Process and provide written feedback to the Vacation Care Coordinator on a regular basis (Minimum of each program period) feedback from children and parents as to how the program can be improved; your ideas and recommendations for program improvement. 26. Provide daily documentation to ensure the service is meeting licencing requirements. As a minimum each shift you will be required to provide a stories of practice evaluation form (observations / reflections of the children and program) **KNOWLEDGE AND** 1. Qualifications as prescribed by the Child Care Act and Regulations. **EXPERIENCE** 2. Current Senior First Aid Certificate and CPR. 3. Maintain currency of all qualifications necessary to fulfil the requirements of the position. 4. Possess, or be willing to obtain, a positive notice Blue Card in accordance with the Working with Children (Risk Management and Screening) Act 2000 Willingness to obtain an ACF Safeguarding Children Certificate