

# The Childcare Industry

As one of Queensland's largest accounting firms, Cranstoun & Hussein has worked closely with clients involved in the childcare industry along with industry bodies for many years. Our childcare specialist, Paul Copeland, has personally developed four childcare centres, operated two childcare centre businesses and still retains an interest in childcare centre freeholds and businesses. Paul has also advised many clients in relation to their own childcare operations.

Cranstoun & Hussein has experience in all areas of the childcare industry including:

- ☑ Reviewing the financial performance of childcare centres prior to purchase
- ☑ Structuring and financing of childcare centre purchases
- ☑ Assisting with the financial management of operating leasehold and freehold childcare centres.

## Pre-acquisition Financial Due Diligence

Cranstoun & Hussein can assist you during the acquisition process of your childcare centre by providing an independent financial review. We will draw on our years of experience when reviewing your new centre proposal to provide you with important feedback and critical information to help in the purchasing decision.

We can also refer you to our network of experienced legal, financing and management consultants that can advise you on the non-financial aspects of the acquisition process.

## Structuring and Financing Childcare Centres

The choice of an appropriate entity in which to own your investment will have implications in relation to asset protection, income tax and capital gains tax. An uninformed choice can lead to significant extra costs to an investor.

We can assist and advise you in relation to the selection of an appropriate business structure that meets your requirements and is suitable to your circumstances.

If necessary, our commercial finance associates can help you to obtain finance to fund the purchase or refinance an existing centre. We have worked with a variety of funders to provide finance solutions to clients.

## Financial Management and Compliance

Cranstoun & Hussein can support you with on-going accounting for your childcare centre and the preparation and lodgement of Business Activity Statements and income tax returns.

We often work with our clients on the development of budgets and cashflow forecasts to assist with the management of the centre. We can also undertake a financial benchmarking of your centre against similar childcare centres to assess performance.

## Contact Us

For further information please contact our childcare specialist Paul Copeland.

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