

## **16 PROCEDURE: HAND AND FACE WASHING**

### **Aim**

To prevent the spread of infectious organisms. *Reg Schedule 2 (3)*

### **16.1 Guidelines**

- 16.1.1 Staff must wash their hands before any food preparation and after using the toilet or toileting children.
- 16.1.2 Children are reminded by teachers to wash their hands after using the toilet and prior to eating.
- 16.1.3 Water temperature for children's hand basins is regulated to a maximum of 40°C.
- 16.1.4 Soap and individual paper hand towels are provided.
- 16.1.5 After eating, if required, children will wipe their own hands and face with a clean face cloth. Face cloths are washed after each individual use.
- 16.1.6 Before any food preparation teachers must ensure that anyone coming into contact with food must have washed their hands.