



**"What you can do
together you can never
do alone."**

NATIONAL
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WEEK 2021

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TURNING CONVERSATION INTO ACTION

Speakers:

- Dr Coz Crosscombe, Community Engagement Pastor and consultant to the Anglican Diocese
- Marly Wells, Manager Family and Community Engagement, Connected Beginnings
- Meron Looney, NT Manager, NAPCAN

In this webinar on **Wednesday 8 September 2021** we discussed:

- organisations working together in marginalised communities
- how to engage the community in conversations
- connecting communities from a faith-based perspective
- tips for community members wanting to be heard
- examples from principles and motivations from other communities
- community consultation and program development.

The theme for National Child Protection Week (5 - 11 September 2021) was **Every child, in every community, needs a fair go.**

To treat all of Australia's children fairly, we need to make sure every family and community has what kids need to thrive and be healthy.

But not every family has these resources.

This is why we need to support every child, family and community according to their needs.

This will create a healthier, fairer Australia for all children.

During the week a series of webinars was curated to explore this theme. The following sheet provides links to resources and topics that relate to the above webinar, to help us **turn this conversation into action**.





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Information relevant to this webinar includes:

Framing research: This year's National Child Protection Week theme and campaign were based on the latest Australian research on how to frame communication around child wellbeing including:

- The *Core Story for Early Childhood Development and Learning* at www.telethonkids.org.au/projects/Hyper/core-story - and learn more with the eLearning module here www.corestory.talentlms.com
- The *Reframing Parenting* project at www.parentingrc.org.au/programs/reframing-parenting
- **Passing the Message Stick** gives clear advice about how to use language to help change the story on self-determination and justice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people www.passingthemessagestick.org

Child Friendly Alice

- Find out more at www.childfriendlyalice.org.au, on social media at www.facebook.com/childfriendlyalice or email contact@childfriendlyalice.org.au
- Watch the video: www.facebook.com/watch/?v=215143537094544
- ARACY's The Nest - Wellbeing Framework - www.aracy.org.au/the-nest-in-action/the-nest-overview

NAPCAN Workshops:

- *Safer Communities for Children* is a new community protective behaviours program developed by NAPCAN in the Northern Territory www.napcan.org.au/Programs/safer-communities-for-children
- NAPCAN is funded in the Northern Territory and Queensland to deliver free 'Creating Child Safe Organisations' and 'Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect' workshops. To find out more visit www.napcan.org.au/training

Upcoming Weeks in October:

- Anti-Poverty Week (2021 theme is focused on children) 17 - 23 October - www.antipovertyweek.org.au
- Children's Week 23 - 31 October www.childrensweek.org.au





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Related campaigns to join:

- Family Matters - www.familymatters.org.au
- Everybody's Home - www.everybodyshome.com.au
- Raise The Rate - www.raisetherate.org.au
- Every Child - www.everychild.co
- Australia Together - www.australiatogether.org
- Ending Loneliness Together - www.endingloneliness.com.au

Other studies and resources of interest:

- *Kids in Community Study (KICS)* - how different factors in our communities influence child development
www.rch.org.au/ccch/research-projects/Kids_in_Communities_Study
- *Creating Environments that Support Young Children's Development*
www.aifs.gov.au/cfca/2021/06/18/creating-environments-support-young-childrens-development
- *The Role of Neighbourhoods in Young Children's Mental Health*
www.emerginqminds.com.au/resources/the-role-of-neighbourhoods-in-young-childrens-mental-health-what-does-the-evidence-tell-us

Include the voices of children in your work:

- For advice about how to include the voices of children in your work contact your State or Territory Children's Commission.
- For ideas about using art to talk to children about their communities, see NAPCAN's Art Activity page www.napcan.org.au/art-activity/ and watch the short video compilation of artworks at
www.youtube.com/watch?v=qtudlb0oO9A&t=1s

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**Thank you for your commitment to ensuring every
child in every community has a fair go.**

