



Australian Government

THE EARLY YEARS STRATEGY

National Early Years Summit Agenda

Friday 17 February 2023

07:30	Check-in and registration	30 minutes
08:00	Networking opportunity	30 minutes
08:30	Master of Ceremonies introduction	5 minutes
08:35	Welcome to Country <i>Introduction by the Hon Linda Burney MP, Minister for Indigenous Australians</i> <i>Welcome to Country performed by Paul House</i>	10 minutes
08:45	Opening address <i>The Hon Amanda Rishworth MP, Minister for Social Services</i> <i>The Hon Dr Anne Aly MP, Minister for Early Childhood Education and Minister for Youth</i>	20 minutes
09:05	Video screening	5 minutes
Session 1: A vision for the early years		
9:10	Q&A Panel: A vision for the early years. What does success look like? Moderator: Master of Ceremonies – Jan Fran Panel members: <i>Professor Fiona Stanley AC - Founding Director and Patron, Telethon Kids Institute</i> <i>Professor Ngiare Brown - Chair, National Mental Health Commission Advisory Board</i> <i>Myra Geddes - General Manager - Social Impact, Goodstart Early Learning</i> <i>Sue Tape - Inclusive Education Project Coordinator, Children and Young People with Disability Australia</i> <i>Andrew Baechle - General Manager, Community Service Delivery, Settlement Services International</i> <i>Catherine Liddle - CEO, SNAICC - National Voice for Our Children</i>	45 minutes
09:55	Workshop: What does success look like in the early years?	60 minutes
10:55	Break	15 minutes

Session 2: Principles – What is important for children and families?		
11:10	<p>Q&A Panel: How do we ensure children and families are embedded at the centre of policy-making and service delivery?</p> <p><i>Moderator: Anne Hollonds, National Children's Commissioner</i></p> <p><i>Panel members:</i></p> <p><i>Georgie Dent - CEO, The Parenthood</i></p> <p><i>Associate Professor Cathrine Neilsen-Hewett - Apiary Fellow; Academic Director of the Early Years, University of Wollongong</i></p> <p><i>Sylvana Mahmic - CEO, Plumtree Children's Services</i></p> <p><i>Jackie Brady - Executive Director, Family & Relationship Services Australia</i></p>	60 minutes
12:10	Workshop: Identifying principles that will guide the Early Years Strategy	60 minutes
13:10	Lunch	30 minutes
Session 3: Priorities - Where to from here?		
13:40	Recap of Discussion: Session 1 and 2	45 minutes
14:25	<p>Q&A Panel: What should the Government prioritise to achieve improved outcomes for children and families in the early years?</p> <p><i>Moderator: Professor Sharon Goldfeld, Director, Centre for Community Child Health; Theme Director, Population Health, Murdoch Children's Research Institute</i></p> <p><i>Panel members:</i></p> <p><i>Professor Catherine Chamberlain - Head of the Indigenous Health Equity Unit, University of Melbourne</i></p> <p><i>Dinah Thomasset - Founder and CEO, Villagehood Australia</i></p> <p><i>Leslie Loble AM - Fellow, Centre for Policy Development; Co-chair of the Early Childcare Development Council; Industry Professor, University of Technology Sydney</i></p> <p><i>Jamie Crosby - CEO, Families Australia</i></p> <p><i>Samantha Page - CEO, Early Childhood Australia</i></p> <p><i>Jenny Buckland - CEO, Australian Children's Television Foundation</i></p>	60 minutes
15:25	Break	15 minutes
15:40	Workshop: Identifying priorities for supporting children in the early years	60 minutes
16:40	Recap of Discussion: Session 3	30 minutes
17:10	Reflections	20 minutes
17:30	Close	