

The Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generation

February 13 each year marks the anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations, who suffered trauma because of past government policies of forced child removal.

This year it will be **15 years to the day** that former Prime Minister, Dr Kevin Rudd AC delivered the National Apology to Stolen Generations.

Visit our [Connecting through Stories of Aboriginal Women with Lifelong Impacts](#) to listen and learn more.

Quick Links

Supporting children and young people with disabilities in out-of-home care
FACSIAI Lunch and Learn
NSW

Tue 28th Feb 2023, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Researchers share the latest evidence on the prevalence, characteristics and outcomes for children with disability in OOHC and an expert panel discusses support services available for children and their carers.
[Find out more and register](#)

Premier's Back to School NSW Vouchers
The Premier's Back to School NSW Vouchers helps families pay for school supplies by providing them with up to 3 x \$50 vouchers, totalling \$150 for each eligible student. Vouchers can be used before 30 June 2023.
[Find out more](#)

[Are children who are known to child protection services more likely to be suspended from school? - Evidence to Action Note](#)

[FACSIAI](#) (1) outlines the results from the [NSW Child Development Study](#) (2) explains implications and (3) consolidates findings in a checklist on how to support children suspended from school.

[Get the report and checklist from the PSP Learning Hub](#)

[Is building positive relationships and fostering family time connected with the socio-emotional well-being of children in Out-of-Home Care \(OOHC\)?](#)

Evidence to Action Note Number 10
Research insights from the POCLS (Pathways of Care Longitudinal Study) and new evidence associating family time with children's socio-emotional well-being.

[Read more about the insights](#)

[Communication between Out-of-Home Care \(OOHC\) caseworkers, children, young people and carers \(2022\)](#)

Evidence to Action Note Number 11
POCLS research - Over the first five years in OOHC, the quality of communication between children aged 7 years and older and their caseworker was generally good and improved over time.

[Click to read](#)

PSP News - New financial guide for carers

DCJ has listened and responded to carer feedback about the difficulty in knowing what financial supports are available to meet the expenses of caring for children and young people and easing the costs of living.

Please let your carers know about this new, easy-to-read [Financial Guide for Carers \(Foster, Relative & Guardianship\)](#).

The guide brings together financial information found in many different locations including state and federal government sites.

Caseworkers will also find the guide helpful when advising carers where they can obtain financial support, relevant to their circumstances. The guide is currently only available online but is easily printable for carers who don't have computer access.

[Get the guide](#)

Training News

Interactive Webinars



[Understanding and Supporting Child Development](#)

Develop knowledge to recognise issues and nurture and support a child's learning and development

- 09 February 2023 (1:00pm - 3:00pm)
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers

[Making Family Time Meaningful](#)

Information, tools, and resources to support children and families get the most out of family time and carers gain skills and confidence in managing family time.

- 14 February 2023 (9:30am - 12:30pm)
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers and leaders

[Building Protective Factors in Preservation and Restoration](#)

Skills, resources, and practice approach to identify, strengthen and/or build protective factors to support preservation and restoration.

- 20 February 2023 (9:30am - 11:30am)
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers and leaders

Face-to-Face and Online Training



[Working Effectively in Preservation and Restoration](#)

How to work with families experiencing challenges so their children can stay home or return home safely. Understanding safety and risk and motivating change in a trauma-informed care framework.

- 23 February 2023 (9:30am - 3:30pm)
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers

[Family Connections and Networks](#)

- 28 February 2023 (9:30am - 3:30pm) *Nerrandera*
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers

Upcoming Training for your calendar

[Working with Aboriginal Children and Families in PSP](#)

Interactive webinar
A three-part series providing information and strategies for PSP casework staff to better understand and support Aboriginal children, families and communities.

- 1 March 2023 (1:30pm - 3:30pm)
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers

[Looking Back – Looking Forward: How single stories and practice traditions can impact Permanency](#)

Interactive webinar
A reflective space to explore the concept of a single story and practice traditions – and how these can impact permanency casework

- When? 15 March 2023 (9:30am - 12:00pm)
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers and leaders

[Working Effectively in Preservation and Restoration](#)

Face-to-Face

- 2 March 2023 (9:30am - 3:30pm) *Dubbo*
- 29 March 2023 (9:30am - 3:30pm) *Goulburn*
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers

[Culture and Connections: Working with Aboriginal and multicultural children, young people and families](#)

Face-to-Face
Information and resources to strengthen relationships with children, young people and families from Aboriginal and Multicultural backgrounds

- 31 March 2023 (9:30am - 3:30pm) *Wollongong*
- Who should attend? PSP caseworkers and leaders

Resource News

Casework Skills > Family Connections and Networks

[ISS Australia International Kinship Care Flyer](#)

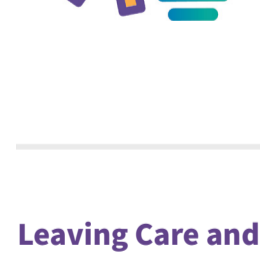
Connect with International Social Services Australia, your go-to group when working with a child in care who may have relatives overseas.

Trauma Informed Care



Factsheets explaining what domestic and family violence is, its impact on children, families, and carers, your mandatory reporting responsibilities, and useful strategies for responding to domestic and family violence.

- [Domestic and Family Violence](#)
- [What is the Impact of Domestic and Family Violence](#)
- [How Should I Respond to Domestic and Family Violence](#)



Do foster or kinship carers ask you, why the child or young person in their care lies regularly? This factsheet looks a little deeper into this the issue and gives tips on how to address lying as a trauma-based behaviour.

- [Fight, flight, freeze, and fibbing: Lying as a trauma-based behaviour](#)

Leaving Care and After Care



[Your Choice, Your Future – New Aftercare Supports for a brighter future](#)

Open Adoption



This factsheet talks you through the various considerations and steps when considering open adoption.

- [Considering Open Adoption \(non-Aboriginal Children Only\)](#)



These factsheets detail the when and how of seeking approval for financial support in OOHC Open Adoption

- [OOHC Open Adoption Financial Support Factsheet for AASP](#)
- [OOHS Adoption Allowance Means Tested Factsheet](#)



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