

Challenge Statement

Most Queensland children and young people are doing well, but too many aren't thriving due to adverse life experiences and lack of access to the resources they need. Our systems are not sufficiently geared or connected to provide the right opportunities or supports, at the right time, and in the right way. This contributes to enduring inequality and poor outcomes for too many people, and for our community as a whole.

● We are addressing this by:

As a systems coalition, intermediary and catalyst:

- Convening cross-sectoral collaboratives and communities of practice
- Brokering cross-system roadmaps, resources and partnerships
- Co-creating integrative and developmental initiatives
- Learning by innovating, assessing and sharing
- Supporting leaders and collaborators in the implementation of what works.

In the following six key domains (workstreams):

- Concerted Leadership
- Smarter Investment
- Stronger Workforces
- Integrated and Developmental Services
- Engaged Caregivers and Communities
- Use of Data and Learning

● Our initiatives focus on:

Improvements in connections, capabilities and capacities for:

- Leaders in systems reform, partnership and collaboration at all levels
- Integration and innovation in systems and services
- Supporting self determination initiatives of child-related First Nations leaders and organisations
- Co-investment, commissioning for outcomes, and philanthropic & impact investment
- Communication, knowledge & skills in child and adolescent development
- Caregiver information, supports and services
- Place-based child, youth and family wellbeing initiatives
- Child, youth, family and community hubs and linked services
- Community and decision-maker access to and use of valued data insights
- Measurement, evaluation, learning and adaptation for continuous improvement

● This will lead to:

Improvements at organisational, community & systems levels, over the next decade in:

- Leaders and change agents can steward systems and drive connectivity and change
- Understanding and use of knowledge and skills in child and adolescent development
- Well-aligned, evidence-informed & outcome-oriented strategies, policies, programs and practices
- Investment in what works, when and where it matters
- Caregivers and communities enabled to facilitate the health development of children and young people
- Programs and practices that build the capabilities of children, young people and their families
- Strengthened service pathways, hubs and networks
- Systems that are more responsive to people's voices, experiences and circumstances, evidence and data

Over time, these focused efforts will result in decreased childhood developmental vulnerability; stronger individual, family and community resilience to buffer adversity and take advantage of opportunities; and positive transitions from childhood to adolescence to adulthood across generations.



change pathway

We bring people, organisations and sectors together around a shared purpose. We use what we know and learn. We support leaders and catalysts. We facilitate collaborative action, innovation and development.

We build connections, capabilities and capacities for concerted leadership; smarter investments; stronger workforces; enabled public, caregivers and communities; integrated and developmental services and supports; and putting data, evidence, learning and experience to work. As a result, sectors and organisations in the Queensland eco-system will be better equipped and stewarded to work together and support families and communities in caring for children. Together, we can reduce the experience and consequences of significant inequity and adversity, and improve opportunities, capabilities and outcomes, so that all children and young people have a great start and journey in life.



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