

Community Sector Roundtable – Communiqué

The Community Sector Roundtable (CSR) is an advisory body that reports directly to the Director General, Department for Child Protection, providing advice and information that improves outcomes and strengthens the relationship between the Department and the community services sector in relation to the funding and the provision of services.

Leadership and Partnership Forum

The Department for Child Protection, together with the Community Sector Roundtable, is convening the 2013 Leadership and Partnership Forum on 31 October 2013. Work is continuing on the agenda for the Forum. More information on this will be provided over the next few months.

Macro issues impacting the out of home care system

This is an extremely challenging issue for the sector. The CSR, through its working group on this topic, is pursuing information around the national framework and engaging in discussion around the complexity of issues, with a focus on why children come into care and the needs children have as a consequence of being in care. The CSR Working Group will explore the range of issues and report back to CSR with a considered in-depth view. The final report on this topic will be made available to the sector.

Self-Directed Service Design

The sector has expressed concern regarding the self-directed service design model. The CSR has established a Self-Directed Service Design Working Group which will be critically reviewing the Self-Directed Service Design model. The group will examine all the semantics regarding this model, and bring information back to CSR for discussion. More information will be provided over the coming months.

Integration of Youth Services

The Integration of Youth Services Working Group has begun examining current reports on youth services in Western Australia to obtain a comprehensive view of the sector. The Working Group will then be able to establish the capacity for improved integration of both services and funding.

CSR EOI

The EOI for membership of the CSR has now closed. Applicants will be advised of the outcome of the selection process by the first week of June 2013.