

QUEENSLAND KINSHIP CARE FORUM II

Towards real support for all Australian kinship children and carers

WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2020
BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL VIRGINIA

PROGRAM

TIME	ITEM
9.00am	Session 1: Welcome and agenda-setting - Chair: Lindsay Wegener, CEO PeakCare
9.00am	Welcome to Country - <i>Tribal Experiences</i> We acknowledge the Turrbal and Yuggera peoples, traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay respects to Elders past, present and emerging.
9.10am	Welcome and housekeeping Setting the focus on all children in kinship care across Australia, informal/formal, children with grandparents, and with other kinship carers.
9.25am	My experience - <i>Tracey Hamilton, young kinship carer</i>
9.35am	My experience - <i>Jill Green, grandparent kinship carer</i>
9.45am	Session 2: Advocacy in child welfare & wellbeing - Chair: Lindsay Wegener, CEO PeakCare
9.45am	Findings from recent consultation in relation to an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Kinship Care model - <i>Candice Butler, Practice Development Manager, QATSICPP</i>
10.05am	Reflections from the first seven years – learnings for advocacy for children in informal and formal kinship care - <i>Megan Mitchell, National Children's Commissioner</i>
10.40am	The National Young Carers Model of Support - relevant to young kinship carers? - <i>Sue Elderton, National Policy Manager, Carers Australia</i>
11.00am	Morning Tea
11.15am	Session 3: Hidden & unsupported: Children in informal kinship care - Chair: Jo Roff, Area Manager, IFYS
11.15am	My experience – <i>Barbara Woodfine, grandparent kinship carer (with Dulcie Bronsch, Senior Project Officer, Time For Grandparents Program, UnitingCare)</i>
11.35am	Recognition & support for Australia's hidden kinship carers - what will it take? - <i>Dr Meredith Kiraly, University of Melbourne</i>
11.55am	The case for support on the basis of need not status - <i>Tricia Murray, CEO Wanslea</i>
12.15pm	Legal issues for kinship carers in exercising their parental responsibilities - <i>Bev Orr, OAM, kinship and foster carer advocate and researcher</i>
12.35pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Session 4: Young kinship carers - Chair: Jo Roff, Area Manager, IFYS
1.30pm	Findings of research study - <i>Dr Meredith Kiraly, University of Melbourne</i>
1.45pm	Panel of young kinship carers - <i>Hannah Zenner (WA), Tracey Hamilton (Qld), Kalyra Michelutti (Vic), Laura Box (Vic)</i>
2.15pm	Questions
2.30pm	Towards a national support service - <i>Jo Roff, IFYS</i>
2.45pm	Questions
3.00pm	Launch of research report - <i>Megan Mitchell, National Children's Commissioner</i>
3.15pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm	Session 5: Going forward - Where to from here? - Chair: Lindsay Wegener, CEO PeakCare
3.30pm	Ideas and comments from the floor
4.00pm	Wrap up, thanks and close

