

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE



**OUR CHILDREN MATTER:**  
Innovative approaches to new world challenges

**Monday  
30 August**

## Pre-conference Workshop A 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Early years workshop: Te tuakiri o te tangata – Beyond the skin of man  
**Arapera Card**, Te Rito Maioha Early Childhood New Zealand (ECNZ)

## Pre-conference Workshop B 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Workforce supports to prevent burnout-self care  
**Tanja Hiroven**, Clinical Psychologist

**Day 1:  
Tuesday  
31 August**

## Opening Plenary 9.00am - 10.30am

**Welcome to Country**  
**Welcome Performance**  
**Welcome Address**  
**Adjunct Professor Muriel Bamblett Hon DLitt SW AO**, Chairperson, SNAICC - National Voice for our Children  
**Video Address**  
**Hon Michelle Landry**, Department of Social Services  
**Keynote Presentation**  
**Arapera Card**, Te Rito Maioha Early Childhood New Zealand (ECNZ)

Morning Tea, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 1 - 9 11.00am - 12.30pm

- 1 Community impact and responses to COVID-19
- 2 Keeping kids connected to culture
- 3 Fostering cultural connections and detention rights
- 4 Co-design partnerships and cultural ways of working together
- 5 Leading systematic change and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Placement Principle
- 6 Early learning initiatives
- 7 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander early childhood strategies
- 8 Education outcomes in schools and experiences of a co-design partnership
- 9 Genuine collaborative ways to support young Aboriginal children

Lunch, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 10 - 18 1.30pm - 3.00pm

- 10 Child protection rights-based approaches and strategies
- 11 Innovative cultural connections through a pandemic
- 12 Culturally informed trauma workshop
- 13 Community-controlled backbone support service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander early years services in NSW
- 14 Best practice early years programs
- 15 Working together: community perspectives and outcomes
- 16 Cultural connections and family supports
- 17 Family supports and embedding culture through practice
- 18 Children's healing resources and NDIS early childhood intervention

Afternoon Tea, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 19 - 26 3.30pm - 5.00pm

- 19 Inclusive best practice programs in early years
- 20 Co-designing a genuine out-of-home care partnership and the role of kinship
- 21 Queensland Family Participation Program: working with and for our families
- 22 Innovation in action - Aboriginal-led commissioning for better child and family outcomes
- 23 Developing literacy and wellbeing resources
- 24 Reunification connections and collaborations
- 25 Health and community partnerships delivering positive outcomes
- 26 Journeys into partnerships in achieving strong community services

**Welcome Reception** 5.00pm - 7.00pm

**Day 2:  
Wednesday  
1 September**

## Plenary 9.00am - 10.30am

**Performance**  
**National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Early Childhood Strategy**  
**Panellists:**  
**Catherine Liddle**, CEO, SNAICC - National Voice for our Children  
*Further panellists tbc*

Morning Tea, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 27 - 35 11.00am - 12.30pm

- 27 Aboriginal permanency perspectives and wellbeing outcomes for children
- 28 Driving early years education through a pandemic
- 29 Engaging First Nations education and collaborative playgroups
- 30 Early years parenting supports
- 31 Transition to school and sustaining languages
- 32 Fostering cultural connections for children in care
- 33 Young people speaking out and decolonising our youth justice systems
- 34 Elders leading the way and transforming team culture in out-of-home care services
- 35 Collaborative community partnerships and education reconciliation

Lunch, Poster Presentations (presenters available) & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 36 - 43 1.30pm - 3.00pm

- 36 Self-determination models in child safety matters
- 37 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Placement Principle and intensive family supports
- 38 Sector reforms, cultural safety and wellbeing for our children
- 39 Trauma-integrated care for First Nations parents
- 40 Impact of COVID-19 on carers and young people in out-of-home care
- 41 Education connecting to language and culture
- 42 Family Group Conferencing for Aboriginal families
- 43 Rights-based employment and developing cultural connections in education

Afternoon Tea, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 45 - 52 3.30pm - 5.00pm

- 45 Culturally appropriate research into the wellbeing of our children
- 46 First Nations parenting programs and learning
- 48 Education rights for our children
- 49 Integrated approaches in early years
- 50 Investing in early years
- 51 Culturally safe courts: adapting through a pandemic
- 52 Child protection and assessing research partnerships

**Optional Conference Dinner** 7.00pm - 10.00pm

**Day 3:  
Thursday  
2 September**

## Plenary 9.00am - 10.30am

**Performance**  
**Keynote Address**  
**Garth Morgan**, CEO, Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Protection Peak (QATSICPP)  
**Pat Turner**, CEO, National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), Coalition of Peaks Convenor & Co-Chair of the Joint Council on Closing the Gap  
**Olga Havnen**, CEO, Danila Dilba Health Service (NT)

Morning Tea, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Concurrent Sessions 53 - 60 11.00am - 12.30pm

- 53 Engaging young people and health care rights
- 54 FASD and neurodevelopmental supports
- 55 Early learning partnership and Indigenous pedagogy
- 56 Building capacity through genuine partnerships
- 57 Self-determination in action. Ingkenteme: following in the footsteps of our Elders
- 58 Racial bias in child protection guidelines
- 59 Reflections of young people in out-of-home care and family carers
- 60 Self-determination in actions: communities leading the way

Lunch, Poster Presentations & Exhibition

## Closing Plenary 1.30pm - 3.00pm

**Plenary Panel Presentation**  
Towards 2031 - Designing a national plan for protecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children  
**Adjunct Professor Muriel Bamblett Hon DLitt SW AO**, Chairperson, SNAICC - National Voice for our Children  
**Natalie Lewis**, Commissioner, Queensland Family and Child Commission  
**June Oscar AO**, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commissioner  
**Dr Paul Gray**, Co-Chair, Family Matters and Associate Professor, Jumbanna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research (UTS)  
**Liz Hefren-Webb**, Deputy Secretary, Federal Department of Social Services

**Closing Address**  
**Closing Performance**

Afternoon Tea, Poster Presentations, Exhibition & Arts Market