



Merri Health
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Kinder Partnerships – Allied Health Services Expression of Interest Form

Thanks for your enquiry about the Kinder Partnerships program.

This program is designed to provide support for early childhood educators and teachers to enhance children's learning outcomes in the areas of communication, wellbeing, and access and inclusion. It is delivered in line with The Department of Education's School Readiness Funding (SRF) approach.

The **Kinder Partnerships team** has a highly experienced speech pathologist that can offer a number of support packages. Package topics include:

- Communication – language, speech, fluency
- Play and social skills
- Pre-literacy
- Emotional regulation and behaviour
- Self-care skills – toileting, eating, dressing
- Kinder and school preparedness

Each package includes a combination of the following, offered on-site and/or remotely:

- A planning and goal-setting session
- Professional development through workshops, presentations, training and case consultations
- Observation, coaching and mentoring visits to the service
- Resource development

We will work with you to individualise each package to your service's specific needs, with additional sessions also available such as parent/carer workshops, information regarding referrals pathways, etc.



Please complete the following questions to give us an indication of what your objectives are and how we can best support your service. Based on your responses, we will then develop a plan together.

Name of service:	
Today's date:	
Who is the key contact person at your centre (please provide contact details)? Who else would you like to be part of the program?	
Tell us about your service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of service, e.g. sessional kinder, long day care centre Names & number of kinder groups (3 & 4 year old) Number of enrolments Number of teachers, educators and support staff Days and times of sessions (please provide timetable if possible) Kinder demographics, e.g. children with additional needs, EAL, etc. 	
Which of the support packages are initially of most interest to you and your service?	
How much funding do you have available to use towards allied health support?*	\$
When would you like support to be provided, e.g. which term/s 2023?	

If you have any questions, please contact:

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*If you wish to utilise School Readiness Funding (SRF), you will need to ensure at least one of the following menu items are in your SRF Annual Plan:

Allied Health: multi-disciplinary teams (arranged by services independently) <div> <div></div> <div></div> <div></div> </div>	Speech Pathologist (arranged by services independently) <div> <div></div> </div>
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