



EARLY YEARS NETWORK NEWS

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Working in Partnership Resource

WA Council of Social Service (WACOSS), the Department of Local Government and Communities (DLGC), Local Government Professionals WA and West Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) have together developed a '[Working in Partnership Resource](#).'

This document provides practical information, tools and resources to support partnerships between local governments and early years networks to achieve positive outcomes for children and families in local communities. It aims to promote collaboration by:

- Early Years Networks becoming familiar with local government decision making processes and how local governments support services and communities.
- Local governments:
 - understanding the importance of investment in children in the early years;
 - becoming familiar with the role of an Early Years Network; and
 - partnering with and providing support to Early Years Networks in their area.



The Community Development Roundtable members urge you to draw on this resource. It provides valuable information about how to improve outcomes for young children in your community. This and other useful resources can be accessed via the [Connecting Early Years Networks portal](#).

EPIC awarded five year contract

Empowering People in Communities (EPIC) has been awarded a five year contract to deliver parenting services across the Pilbara. Funded by DLGC, EPIC will be delivering services to a wide range of community members including fathers, indigenous families, culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) families and young parents.

The funding will see EPIC bring experienced facilitators to the Pilbara to deliver parenting-based workshops and seminars, run events and activities and provide information to all parents with children aged 0-18 years of age.

Programming will begin in July 2017. Watch this space for further information or phone 9185 1488 if you have any queries.