



Midland Community Hub Project



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A range of services, including child health nurse checks, will be available at the Midland Community Hub.

Welcome

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the **Midland Community Hub Project** email newsletter, proudly brought to you by the Child and Adolescent Health Service.

A few months ago, you filled in a survey or spoke to a member of our team about your views on what health services are most important to children and

young people in the **Midland community**, and you told us you were interested in getting updates about our work. We want to **keep you updated** on what is happening as part of the Midland Community Hub Project. We will also let you know how you can continue to **be involved** in helping us plan the Hub.

About the **Midland Community Hub**

When completed, the brand new Midland Community Hub will be a one-stop shop for a number of health services for children, young people and their families, including **child health, mental health, child development and family support services**. These services will be provided by the Child and Adolescent Health Service and other government and non-government organisations. We hope that bringing these services together will make it **easier for families** to access them.

The Midland Community Hub will replace a number of community health sites with a fit-for-purpose facility, while other sites will stay open so families who live a little further away from Midland still have community health services **close by**. The sites that will eventually be relocated to the Midland Community Hub will continue to operate until the Hub opens, which is anticipated to be in 2022.

About the **survey**

The Child and Adolescent Health Service is **committed to working with local families** and the Midland community. In February 2020, we conducted an online survey to find out community **feelings and expectations** towards the Midland Community Hub, with approximately 7,000 community members invited to participate. We extend a **huge thanks** to everybody who took the time to respond to the survey, as it provided valuable insight about what the Midland community needs and expects from their hub.

You told us

The **top three services** you would like to see available at the Midland Community Hub are:

- Child health
- Mental health
- Family support services.

The **top three activities or events** you would like to see held at the Midland Community Hub are:

- Support workshops and groups for parents
- Activity based groups and workshops for children and adolescents
- Community based events and activities.

You also told us what would most make you come to the Midland Community Hub would be a **variety of quality services** that are easily accessible. This is in line with the facility we are working to deliver, and we are very excited to bring the Midland Community Hub to life.

What is the **Child and Adolescent Health Service?**

The Child and Adolescent Health Service, also called CAHS, is proud to be the **leading service provider** for paediatric healthcare in Western Australia. CAHS comprises four functions: Neonatology, Community Health, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (also known as CAMHS), and Perth Children's Hospital.

At CAHS, our vision is **healthy kids, healthy communities**. We are committed to this vision and to ensuring all children get the best start in life.

We have more than 170 community services across the metropolitan area, including

child health centres, community mental health care, child development services and school health care. Perth Children's Hospital is Western Australia's only dedicated paediatric hospital and provides tertiary services for the State. We also provide neonatology care to our **youngest and most vulnerable patients** across King Edward Memorial Hospital and Perth Children's Hospital.

Find out more about CAHS at our website: www.cahs.health.wa.gov.au.

Spotlight on: **Child Development Service**



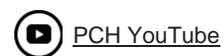
The Child Development Service will be available at the Midland Community Hub.

The **Child Development Service** (CDS) is part of CAHS Community Health. The Midland CDS consists of a team of speech pathologists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, social workers, clinical psychologists, paediatricians, therapy assistants, audiologists and nurses. Parents, carers and families play **the most important role** in supporting their child's development, and CDS clinicians work closely with families to plan and set goals based on their child's **strengths and interests**, and the parents' concerns and priorities for their child.

A referral to CDS can be made by parents, legal guardians or professionals

such as a GP or teacher. Families referred to the service are invited to attend a **service planning appointment** within eight weeks of referral, which usually takes place by phone. During this appointment parents' concerns for their child are discussed along with **goals and priorities**, and together an agreed service plan is developed.

For more information about CDS, including how to make a referral, please visit [our website](#).



The Child and Adolescent Health Service acknowledges the Aboriginal people of the many traditional lands and language groups of Western Australia. We acknowledge the wisdom of Aboriginal Elders both past and present and pay respect to Aboriginal communities of today.

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