

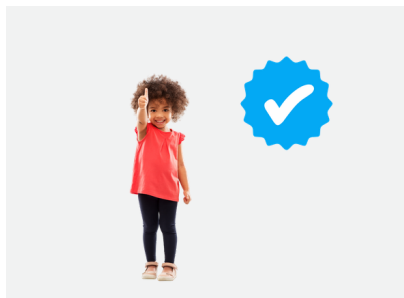
No child left out

A report by the NCDRC

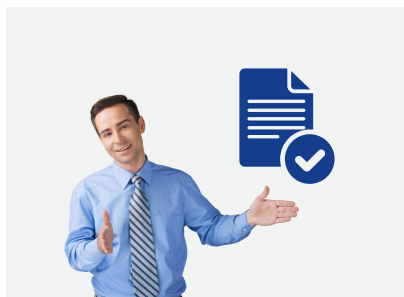


Easy Read

About this report



This report is about **Thriving Kids**.



Thriving Kids is a plan from the Australian Government.



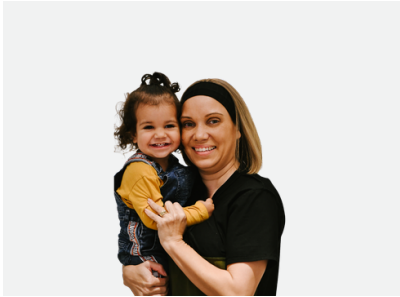
The plan is for children who are 8 years old or younger.



It is for children who learn or grow in a different way.



It is also for children who have autism.



This report explains how **Thriving Kids** can work better for

- children and families from different cultures.



This includes families who:

- come from other countries
- have different cultures
- speak languages other than English.



The report is by the **NCDRC**.

NCDRC is the National Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Disability Reform Committee.



This report is in Easy Read.

It explains the main ideas.



You can read the full report at

www.ssi.org.au/causes-and-campaigns/national-cald-disability-reform-committee/

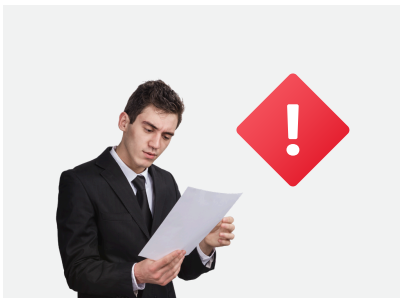
Main points



Thriving Kids must work well for children and families from different cultures.



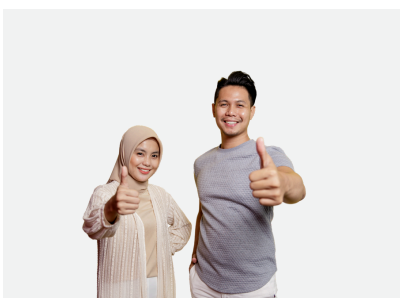
Families must get support that meets their needs.



The report says governments must act now.



Disability services must include children and families from different cultures.



Services must be easy to understand.
Services must be easy to use.

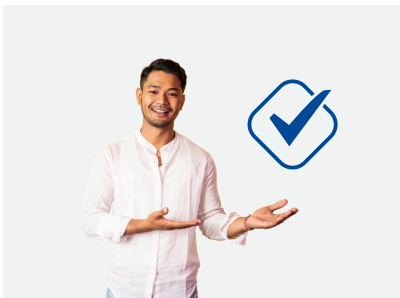


This will help make sure:

- families from different cultures get better support



- the system is fair
- the system works better for everyone.



Thriving Kids can do important things to help children and families from different cultures.



We explain the main things that Thriving kids must do.

What are the problems?



Some children and families from different cultures find it hard to get support.
They may not get the right support.



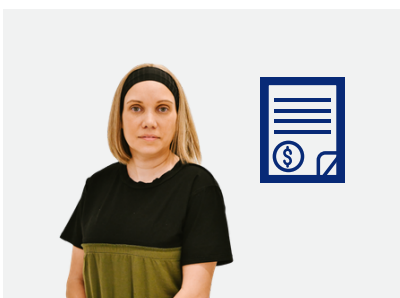
Some families do not know what help is available.
Or they do not trust services.



Families can face many problems when they try to get help.
For example when:



- information is not in their language
- services do not understand their culture
- services or websites are hard to use



- they have visa issues
- they have money problems and stress.

Why is it important?



Children need support as early as possible.



If children do not get help early, their needs may get more serious.



They may miss out on help early.

They may not get the right support.



Families may find it harder to get the right support later.

What helps families



Services must be:

- safe
- respectful
- easy for multicultural families to use.



Families can get the right support when:

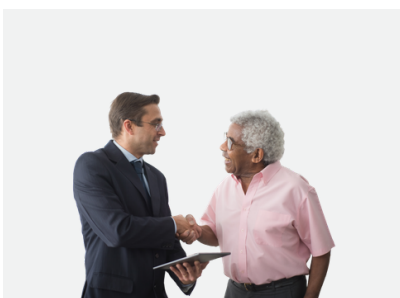
- information is in their language



- workers understand and respect their culture



- services listen to people from different cultures



- government and communities work together

What needs to happen



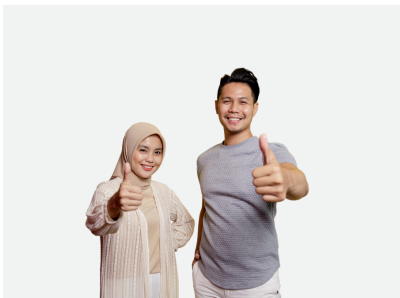
Thriving Kids must

- **Listen to people from different cultures**



People from multicultural communities must have a say about Thriving Kids.

Their ideas are important.



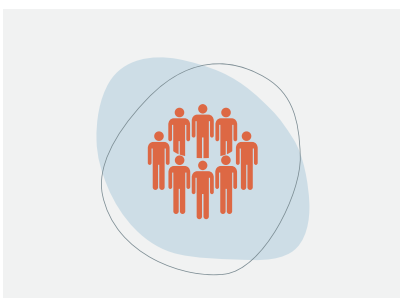
They can help plan services.

They can check if services work well.



Advisory groups can help Thriving Kids.

An advisory group is a group of people with experience.



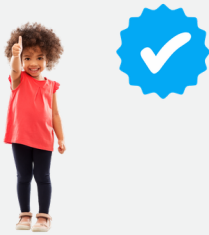
Advisory groups must include people from different cultures and communities.

What needs to happen



Thriving Kids must

- **Fund multicultural organisations**



Multicultural organisations can help Thriving Kids.



These organisations know their communities.
They speak many languages.



They work in ways that families trust.
They can help families find services and support.



Governments can help **fund** these organisations.
Fund means pay them money to do their work.

What needs to happen



Thriving Kids must

- **Make services safe and easy to use**



Thriving Kids must be safe for families from different cultures.

Services must be easy to understand and use.



Services can:

- give families clear information in their language or in Easy English

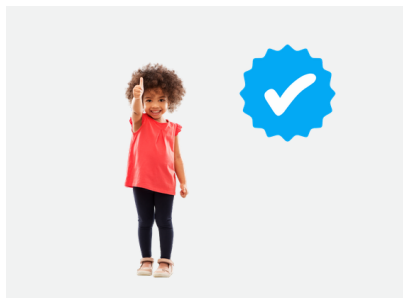


- use interpreters
- train their workers



- support community leaders
- make services free or affordable.

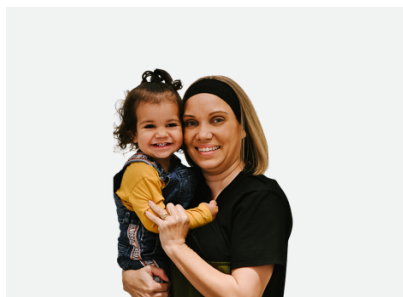
How will this help?



These steps will help Thriving Kids work better for multicultural families.



- Children will get help and support earlier.



- Families from different cultures will get the right support.



- The system will be fair and work better for everyone.

