



STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION
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Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
5 March 2021

Asked by PETER CAIN MLA:

In relation to: How much is being spent this year and across forward estimates to deliver Family Group Conferencing and to support Gugan Gulwan and OzChild to deliver Functional Family Therapy?

RACHEL STEPHEN-SMITH MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

Family Group Conferencing (FGC)

In 2018-19, the ACT Government committed ongoing funding for the delivery of FGC services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families at risk of ongoing involvement with the child protection system. The aim of the program is to provide families with the opportunity to develop effective family plans that will keep their children safe. Funding allocated is as follows:

2018-19 FY	2019-20 FY	2020-21 FY	2021-22 FY	2022-23 FY	2023-24 FY
\$348,000	\$356,000	\$515,000*	\$528,000*	\$531,000*	\$538,000*

*Includes additional funding as part of the Our Booris, Our Way initiative to strengthen FGC

Functional Family Therapy – Child Welfare (FFT-CW)

Gugan Gulwan Youth Aboriginal Corporation, in partnership with OzChild Australia, deliver FFT-CW for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families at risk of ongoing involvement with the child protection system. The program aims to reduce the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people entering or remaining in out of home care through interventions that strengthen families and communities. Funding is provisioned in 2022-23 and 2023-24 for the FFT-CW program, pending an evaluation. Funding allocated is as follows:

2019-20 FY	2020-21 FY	2021-22 FY	2022-23 FY	2023-24 FY
\$670,000	\$1,030,000	\$1,316,000	\$1,357,000 (Provisioned)	\$1,357,000 (Provisioned)

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion

Signature:

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By the Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA