

# Evidence Based Practice Resource Series



“Supporting Best Practice in Western Sydney”

## Summary of Useful Websites to Evidence



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- > Achieving learning outcomes
- > Increasing strength based practice
- > Increasing knowledge of evidence base
- > Increasing confidence to apply knowledge
- > Increasing conscious work practice



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## Recent Research Literature Summary Selection of Useful Links: (Research Summaries, Literature Reviews, Major Reports)

**Note:** Website URL's do not always stay static and you may find a link that no longer works. If that is the case try going back to the base website to search for the report or information you are looking for. EG: If something like: <http://www.aracy.org.au/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Publications> doesn't work, try: <http://www.aracy.org.au>

### FAMILY WORK

#### Links to research websites:

Australian Family Relationships Clearinghouse – research briefs and articles

<http://www.aifs.gov.au/afrc/pubs/pubs.html#brief>

California Evidence-Based Clearinghouse for Child Welfare – research reports and programs on a range of topics: <http://www.cachildwelfareclearinghouse.org/>

Centre for Community Child Health – policy briefs (excellent plain English research summary papers on a range of topics) [http://www.rch.org.au/ccch/resources.cfm?doc\\_id=10886](http://www.rch.org.au/ccch/resources.cfm?doc_id=10886)

FRIENDS National Resource Centre for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention – research papers on a range of topics: <http://www.friendsnrc.org/resources/print.htm>

#### Links to specific research articles/papers:

Ariel Kalil (2003) *Raising Children in New Zealand: Family Resilience and Good Child Outcomes. A Review of the Literature*

Can be downloaded from the Ministry of Social Dev website Literature Review list (down at bottom click on list for 2003-2005, then scroll down to find this paper and click to open) <http://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/literature-reviews/index.html>

Australian Domestic Violence Clearinghouse – *Staying Home: Leaving Violence: Promoting Choices for Women Leaving Abusive Partners*

<http://www.austdvclearinghouse.unsw.edu.au/PDF%20files/SHLV.pdf>

Australian Fatherhood Research Network: Bulletins – *Family Action Centre University of Newcastle*

(You can get on an email list to receive regular Bulletins that summarise recent research related to fathering): <http://www.newcastle.edu.au/centre/fac/efp/afn/afn.html>

Australian Institute of Families Studies – *The Efficacy of Early Childhood Interventions 2005*

<http://www.aifs.gov.au/institute/pubs/resreport14/aifsreport14.pdf>

Black, M. & Kemp, L. (2004) *Volunteer Home Visiting – a systematic review of evaluations*. Centre for Health Equity Training, Research and Evaluation

[http://notes.med.unsw.edu.au/CPHCEWeb.nsf/resources/CHETRErpts1to5/\\$file/Black\\_M\\_\(2004\)\\_VHome\\_Visit\\_Lit\\_Review.pdf](http://notes.med.unsw.edu.au/CPHCEWeb.nsf/resources/CHETRErpts1to5/$file/Black_M_(2004)_VHome_Visit_Lit_Review.pdf)

BRIDGE (Development – Gender) – **Engaging Men in Gender Equality: Positive Strategies and Approaches – Overview and annotated bibliography**  
<http://www.gbv.ie/wp-content/uploads/2007/12/74-engaging-men-in-gender-equality-positive-strategies-and-approaches.pdf>

Centre for Social Research and Evaluation – **Preventing Physical and Psychological Maltreatment of Children in Families: Review of Research for Campaign for Action on Family Violence: Summary of Findings**

<http://www.msd.govt.nz/documents/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/literature-reviews/preventing-maltreatment/preventing-maltreatment.pdf>

Growing Up in Australia – **Longitudinal Study of Australian Children** — papers and presentations

<http://www.aifs.gov.au/growingup/pubs/confpapers.html>

Institute of Criminology - **Women's Experiences of Violence**

[http://www.aic.gov.au/publications/rpp/56/06\\_ch2.html](http://www.aic.gov.au/publications/rpp/56/06_ch2.html)

Johnson, M. Stone, S. (2006). **Family Assessment in Child Welfare Services: Instrument Comparison**. The Center for Social Services Research (CSSR) School of Social Welfare University of California, Berkeley USA

[http://www.bassc.net/html/pdfs/Fam\\_Exec.pdf](http://www.bassc.net/html/pdfs/Fam_Exec.pdf)

National Centre for Infant and Early Childhood Health Policy – **Promoting Positive Parenting Practices Through Parent Education**

<http://www.healthychild.ucla.edu/Publications/Documents/ParentEd.pdf>

NSW Department of Community Services - **Active engagement: Strategies to Increase Service Participation by Vulnerable Families**

[http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/docswr/assets/main/documents/research\\_active\\_engagement.pdf](http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/docswr/assets/main/documents/research_active_engagement.pdf)

## **EARLY CHILDHOOD**

### **Links to research websites:**

Centre for Community Child Health – policy briefs on a range of topics

[http://www.rch.org.au/ccch/resources.cfm?doc\\_id=10886](http://www.rch.org.au/ccch/resources.cfm?doc_id=10886)

Child Trends – research briefs on a range of child and youth topics

<http://www.childtrends.org/listRB.cfm?LID=4248444D-4BC4-49DB-B9CAE91EF7CCC712>

Growing Up in Australia - Longitudinal Study of Australian Children – papers and presentations

<http://www.aifs.gov.au/growingup/pubs/confpapers.html>

National Child Protection Clearinghouse – research papers, reports and presentations

<http://www.aifs.gov.au/nch/pubs/pubs.html>

### **Links to specific research articles/papers:**

Australian Institute of Family Studies - **The Efficacy of Early Childhood Interventions**

<http://www.aifs.gov.au/institute/pubs/resreport14/aifsreport14.pdf>

Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth – **School Readiness**

<http://www.aracy.org.au/AM/Common/pdf/Topical%20Papers/Readiness.pdf>

Centre for Community Child Health - **Let's Read Literature Review 2004**

[http://www.rch.org.au/emplibrary/ccch/LetsRead\\_LitReview.pdf](http://www.rch.org.au/emplibrary/ccch/LetsRead_LitReview.pdf)

Centre for Community Health – **The Early Years Project: Refocusing Community Based Services for Children and their Families 2003 – Literature review**

[http://www.rch.org.au/emplibrary/ccch/EY\\_LitRev\\_Acad.pdf](http://www.rch.org.au/emplibrary/ccch/EY_LitRev_Acad.pdf)

Friendly, M, Doherty, G. and Beach, J. (2006). **Quality by design: What do we know about quality in early learning and child care, and what do we think? A literature review**  
[http://www.childcarequality.ca/wdocs/QbD\\_LiteratureReview.pdf](http://www.childcarequality.ca/wdocs/QbD_LiteratureReview.pdf)

Getting Ready – **Findings from the National School Readiness Indicators Initiative A 17 State Partnership**  
<http://www.gettingready.org/matriarch/d.asp?PageID=303&PageName2=pdfhold&p=&PageName=Getting+Ready+%2D+Full+Report%2Epdf>

Mackay, R. (2003). **Family Resilience and Good Child Outcomes: An Overview of the Research Literature**. Social Policy Journal of New Zealand, Issue 20.  
<http://www.msd.govt.nz/documents/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/journals-and-magazines/social-policy-journal/spj20/20-pages98-118.pdf>

National Centre for Children in Poverty – **Promoting Effective Early Learning: What Every Policymaker and Educator Should Know**  
[http://www.nccp.org/publications/pdf/text\\_695.pdf](http://www.nccp.org/publications/pdf/text_695.pdf)

NSW Parenting Centre – **Discussion Paper 1: School Readiness**  
[http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/docswr/\\_assets/main/documents/school\\_readiness.pdf](http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/docswr/_assets/main/documents/school_readiness.pdf)

Social Policy Research Centre – **Child Outcomes and Family Socio-Economic Characteristics**  
<http://www.sprc.unsw.edu.au/reports/LSACOutcomesSPRCReport.pdf>

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

### **Links to research websites:**

Alcoa Research Centre for Stronger Communities, Curtin University of Technology  
<http://www.strongercommunities.curtin.edu.au/>

Communities and Families Clearinghouse Australia (CAFCA)  
<http://www.aifs.gov.au/cafca/>

Growing Up in Australia – Longitudinal Study of Australian Children – papers and presentations  
<http://www.aifs.gov.au/growingup/pubs/confpapers.html>

Social Policy Research Centre – research reports and literature reviews on varied topics  
<http://www.sprc.unsw.edu.au/reports/>

### **Links to specific research articles/papers:**

Asset Based Community Development Institute – **Discovering Community Power: A Guide to Utilising Local Assets and Your Organisations Capacity**  
<http://www.sesp.northwestern.edu/images/kelloggabcd.pdf>

Australian Institute of Family Studies – **Pathways of neighbourhood influences through the family: How do neighbourhood social processes influence young children's emotional and behavioural problems?**  
<http://www.aifs.gov.au/growingup/conf/2007/BenEdwards.pdf>

Australian Unity Well-Being Index (Deakin University) **What Makes Us Happy – Report 2008**  
<http://australianunity.republicast.com/wbr2008/republicast.asp?page=1&layout=1&control=yes&zoom=100>

Centre for Community Child Health (2003) - **Refocusing Community Based Services for Young Children and Their Families**  
[http://www.rch.org.au/emplibrary/ccch/EY\\_LitRev\\_Acad.pdf](http://www.rch.org.au/emplibrary/ccch/EY_LitRev_Acad.pdf)

Housing and Community Research Unit – **Community Capacity Building: A Practical Guide**  
<http://www.utas.edu.au/sociology/HACRU/6%20Community%20Capacity%20building.pdf>

Johnson, D., Heady, B. and Jensen, B. (2005). **Policy Research Paper No. 26: Communities, social capital and public policy: literature review**. Department of Family and Community Services, Canberra.  
[http://www.facsia.gov.au/research/prp26/prp\\_no\\_26.pdf](http://www.facsia.gov.au/research/prp26/prp_no_26.pdf)

Pope, J. (2006). **Indicators of community strength: a framework and evidence**. Strategic Policy and Research Division, Department for Victorian Communities.  
[http://www.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au/getting\\_started/needs/ics.html](http://www.communitybuilders.nsw.gov.au/getting_started/needs/ics.html)

Social Policy Research Centre – **Stronger Families and Communities Strategy National Evaluation - Report**  
[http://www.sprc.unsw.edu.au/reports/2008/SFCS\\_EvaluationBaselineReport\\_Final.pdf](http://www.sprc.unsw.edu.au/reports/2008/SFCS_EvaluationBaselineReport_Final.pdf)

Swinburne Institute for Social Research – **Community Consultation and the 'Hard to Reach'**  
<http://www.sisr.net/cag/docs/nillumbik.pdf>

The Community Engagement Network (2005). **Book 1 An introduction to engagement: Effective engagement: building relationships with community and other stakeholders**. State of Victoria, Department of Sustainability and Environment.  
[http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/CA256F310024B628/0/6F16335B7D2564D0CA257085001FBD9B/\\$File/Book+1+-+An+Introduction+to+Engagement.pdf](http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/CA256F310024B628/0/6F16335B7D2564D0CA257085001FBD9B/$File/Book+1+-+An+Introduction+to+Engagement.pdf)

## **YOUTH WORK**

### **Links to research websites:**

Australian Clearinghouse for Youth Studies – research articles on a range of youth topics  
<http://www.acys.info/journal/overview>

Child Trends – research briefs on a range of child and youth topics  
<http://www.childtrends.org/listRB.cfm?LID=4248444D-4BC4-49DB-B9CAE91EF7CCC712>

### **Links to specific research articles/papers:**

Australian Domestic and Family Violence Clearinghouse – **Australian Prevention Programmes for Young People**  
[http://www.austdvclearinghouse.unsw.edu.au/PDF%20files/prevention\\_progs\\_young.pdf](http://www.austdvclearinghouse.unsw.edu.au/PDF%20files/prevention_progs_young.pdf)

Australian Institute of Family Studies – **What Works in Reducing Young People's Involvement in Crime** – report and literature review  
<http://www.aic.gov.au/publications/reports/2002-12-whatworks.pdf>

Hartley, R. (2004). **Young people and mentoring: towards a national strategy**. A report prepared for Big Brothers Big Sisters Australia, Dusseldorp Skills and The Smith Family.  
[http://www.thesmithfamily.com.au/webdata/resources/files/tsf\\_Mentor\\_May04.pdf](http://www.thesmithfamily.com.au/webdata/resources/files/tsf_Mentor_May04.pdf)

MacCallum, J. and Beltman, S. (2002). **Role models for young people: what makes an effective role model program?** A report to the National Youth Affairs Research Scheme by the Australian Clearinghouse for Youth Studies, Hobart, Tasmania.  
[http://www.facs.gov.au/internet/facsinternet.nsf/VIA/youthpubs/\\$File/rolemodels.pdf](http://www.facs.gov.au/internet/facsinternet.nsf/VIA/youthpubs/$File/rolemodels.pdf)

Rhodes, J.E. and DuBois, D.L. (2006). **Understanding and facilitating the youth mentoring movement**. Social Policy Report: Giving Child and Youth Development Knowledge Away, volume XX, number III. Society for Research in Child Development.  
<http://www.srcd.org/documents/publications/spr/spr20-3.pdf>