



Australian Government



What is ParentsNext?

ParentsNext Project providers work with parents to help them to identify their education and employment goals, develop a pathway to achieve their goals and link them to activities and services in the local community.

Assistance to Parents

ParentsNext assists parents to plan and prepare for employment by the time their youngest child reaches school age.

ParentsNext Projects assist parents to:

- identify their education and employment goals
- develop a pathway to achieve their goals
- combine preparing for work with their parenting responsibilities
- access services in the local community.

If required, ParentsNext Projects also assist parents to:

- increase their educational qualifications
- identify and address barriers to employment
- develop practical skills to get a job
- access child care assistance.

Project providers have the flexibility to tailor assistance to meet a parent's individual needs and work with a range of other organisations.

Who is eligible?

Parents who have a youngest child aged under six, have had no paid employment in the last six months and live in the following Local Government Areas may be eligible for ParentsNext:

- Bankstown (NSW)
- Wyong (NSW)
- Shellharbour (NSW)
- Greater Shepparton (Vic)
- Hume (Vic)
- Logan (Qld)
- Rockhampton (Qld)
- Playford (SA)
- Kwinana (WA)
- Burnie (Tas)

Parents who are required to participate in ParentsNext as a condition of receiving Parenting Payment will be contacted by the Department of Human Services.

ParentsNext Project providers can also assist parents who wish to participate on a voluntary basis. If you wish to participate in ParentsNext and meet the eligibility requirements outlined above, talk to your local ParentsNext Project provider.

For further information visit:

employment.gov.au/parentsnext