

LOOKOUT Centres



LOOKOUT Education Support Centres

LOOKOUT Education Support Centres are designed to boost the capability of early childhood services, schools, carers, child protection practitioners and out-of-home care services to improve educational outcomes for children and young people living in out-of-home care.

SUPPORTING YOUNG CHILDREN AND STUDENTS IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

Research indicates that children and young people living in out-of-home care are at greater risk of poorer educational outcomes than those in the broader community.

SUPPORT IN KINDERGARTEN

LOOKOUT Early Childhood Learning Advisors (ECLAs) facilitate and monitor children in out-of-home care's participation in two years of high-quality kindergarten, promote Early Start Kindergarten and a supportive transition to school.

SUPPORT IN SCHOOLS

LOOKOUT centres assist children and young people in schools through:

- professional development with staff to support students educational and socio-emotional needs
- advice to schools to support individual students
- reviewing enrolment decisions that aren't in a student's best interests
- facilitating opportunities for students to participate fully in school life (including camps, excursions and extracurricular activities).

ELIGIBILITY

LOOKOUT centres support is available to statutory kinship carers only.

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