

ME AT 2 PASSPORT TOOLKIT



WHAT I AM DOING AT 2-YEARS OLD

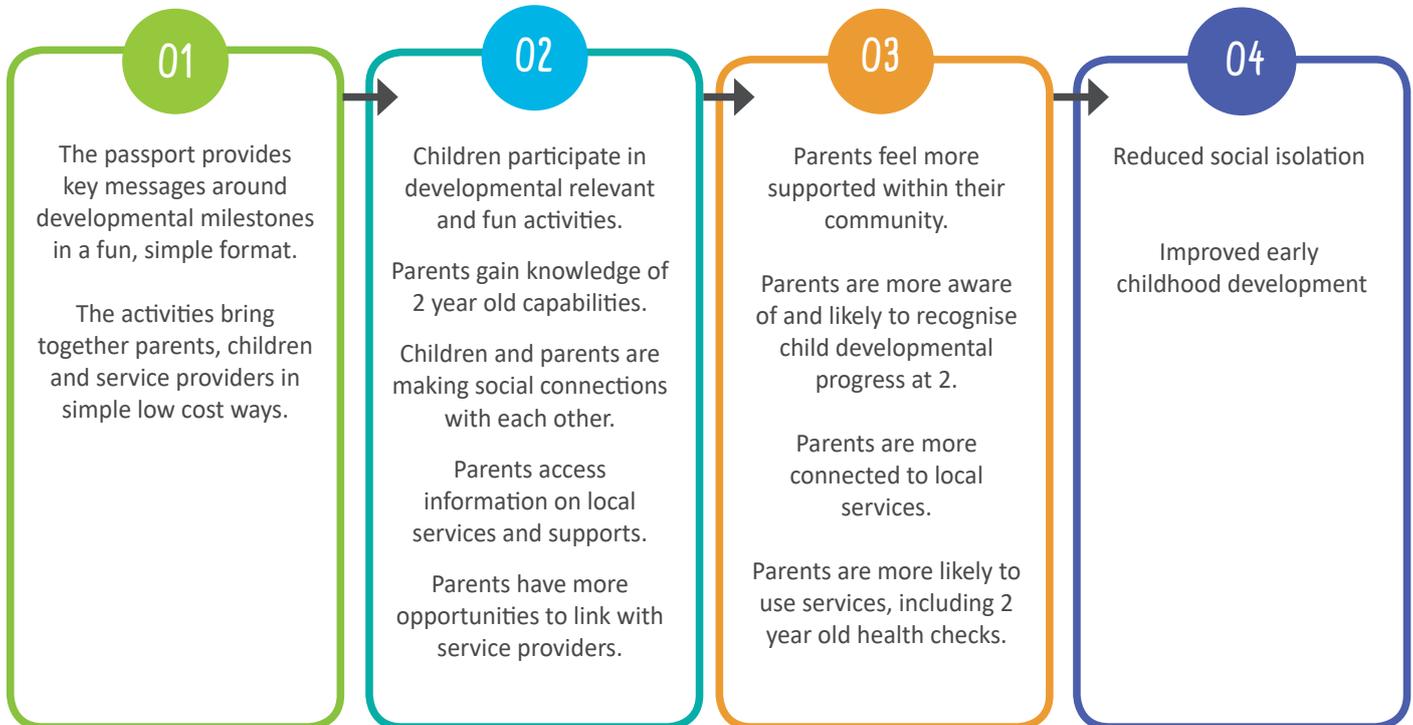
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BETTER OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY

WHAT IS THE ME AT 2 PASSPORT?

The Me at 2 Passport creates possibilities for improving parents' knowledge around child development, increased social connection and support for families and young children. It is available for groups, community and services to share with and engage caregivers and their 2 year olds in play-based age specific activities centred around optimal development milestones.

The potential impact of Me at 2 is shown in the image below.



HOW DOES THE PASSPORT LINK TO THE EARLY YEARS?

NATIONAL QUALITY STANDARDS

- Quality Area 1 - Educational Program and Practice
- Quality Area 2 - Childs Health and Safety
- Quality Area 5 – Relationships with Children
- Quality Area 6 - Collaborative partnerships with families

EARLY YEARS LEARNING FRAMEWORK

Principles

- Secure, respectful and reciprocal relationships
- Partnerships with families
- High expectations and equity

Practices

- Holistic approaches
- Responsiveness to children
- Learning through play

Outcomes

- Children have a strong sense of wellbeing
- Children are confident and involved learners
- Children are effective communicators



LET US KNOW THE DIFFERENCE THE ME AT 2 PASSPORT IS MAKING

Collecting feedback on the Me at 2 Passports will help us understand how it contributing to make a lasting difference in the lives of young children. Here is a guide to the information you could share with us around your experiences with the Passport.

WHAT DID YOU DO?

- Duration of event
- List of services and agencies involved
- Number of caregivers you engaged with
- Number of children you engaged with

HOW WELL DID YOU DO?

- Event details
- Activities used from passport - did they work?
- Observations from the event

IS ANYONE BETTER OFF?

- Feedback from participants
- Case studies (tell a story of a difference it made)
- Pulse survey (3 question survey below)

PULSE SURVEY

If you could please print this survey (printable copy available from CCK) and send all survey responses back to us it would be greatly appreciated.

	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neutral	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree
I feel more connected in my community					
I know more about how to help and support my child to develop					
I know where to go for support to help me with issues concerning my child					

BACKGROUND

Connecting Community for Kids (CCK) is a collective impact initiative developed to empower parents, children and professionals in the communities of Cockburn and Kwinana to work together and make a lasting difference in the lives of children pre-birth to eight and their families.

Our goal is for young children in Cockburn and Kwinana to have the same level of physical, social, emotional, communication and language development as the Perth Metropolitan Area by 2024, based on the outcomes of the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The “ 4 Little Checks Action Team” have a strong focus around children at 2 years of age. This was partly in response to increase awareness and uptake of the 2 year old check for universal schedule for child health and development assessments (commonly referred to as the Purple Book and Child Health Nurse checks). The Action Team is working to implement a range of initiatives around health messaging, early intervention, social isolation, child development and ear health.

Me at 2 follows on from the Me at 3 initiative of the Peel Early Years Collective and implemented by Wanslea Early Learning and Development in 2017.



HOST A 'ME AT 2' ACTIVITY

1. Obtain the Me at 2 Passports from CCK
2. Host your own Me at 2 Passport event, or get involved in a larger event
3. Make it even easier! CCK have already created flyer and format for a Me at 2 'Yellow Brick Road' Event, ask for our generic flyer

AT YOUR EVENT

- >> Provide one or two hands-on activities from the passport
- >> Provide information on local services and activities for young children and families
- >> Involve or invite local services or groups (eg child health nurses, playgroups, elcs)
- >> Chat with parents/carers about their child's development and the importance of the 2 year old and other health checks.

REMEMBER

- >> A child is two years old for a whole year.
- >> All children learn and develop differently. This passport shows the things a child may achieve when they are two and raises awareness of their abilities and progress.

HOW TO OBTAIN YOUR PASSPORTS

Available from CCK by calling 0429 904 324 or emailing info@connecting4kids.com.au.

Each passport costs \$1 to print.

We would welcome groups who wish to contribute to the project by translating the passport into different languages.

WHAT IS THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD EVENT?

Children aged 2-3 years of age take part in following yellow flags, ribbons or paths to different activity stations, where they participate in hands-on activities taken from the Me at 2 Passport. This gives childcare educators a chance to chat with parents and caregivers about their child's development and the importance of the 2 year old health checks.

The Yellow Brick Road events are ideal for:

- Local services from across both the City of Cockburn and the City of Kwinana
- Child health nurses
- Playgroups
- Early learning centres

