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# family resource links



The Family Resource Links program assists families with young children, who have disabilities or developmental delays, to access community services and support networks. The program uses a community development approach in partnership with other services and groups, and facilitates community projects aimed at developing supportive environments by strengthening connections between the community and families living in the Macarthur area.

### Family Resource Links in the community

The service is based on community development principles, such as:

- Outreach
- Engaging families
- Developing specific supports or initiatives
- Linking families to appropriate services and supports.

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Family Resource Links works in partnership with local services to strengthen communities and to help build community capacity and a sense of belonging for families living in disadvantaged communities. The program has a strong emphasis on outreach work, engaging with families in a sensitive and low key way to assist them to link with the services and supports they need.

### Eligibility

The focus of Family Resource Links is on families who have a child with a disability or developmental delay aged 0-8, who are not currently accessing services and who experience:

- Geographical, financial, social or emotional isolation
- Complex needs. For example, family members with drug or alcohol issues, mental illness, developmental delays (either diagnosed or undiagnosed), parents with disabilities, families from a culturally and linguistically diverse background (CALD) and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander families
- Multiple needs, which could be any or all of the above, that increases the impact of disability on the child and their family.

### Geographical area

Macarthur area.

### Funding

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