



Australian Government



Thriving Kids

Giving children the best start in life

Thriving Kids is for families and their children aged 8 and under who might need some extra support to develop, learn and grow.

Support for children and their families

Every child learns and grows in their own way. Some need extra support with their skills in communicating, learning, moving, interacting with others, or managing emotions.

If your child needs extra support, Thriving Kids is an easy place to start. It can help your family find information and advice on development delay and autism, and available supports for your child's development.



You don't need a diagnosis to access Thriving Kids support

Early support, big impact

Getting support early can make a big difference, helping children:

- build on their strengths
- take part in social and other activities
- grow the skills they need for everyday life



Thriving Kids supports

Thriving Kids is adding to the existing system of supports for you and your children in your community.

Thriving Kids has started and supports are growing over time.

All supports will be rolled out by 1 January 2028.

Thriving Kids is a joint Australian, state and territory government initiative.

Supports will include:



Online information
and resources



Health and
development checks



Trusted advice about
child development
and autism



Peer support, parenting
groups, facilitated playgroups,
and family programs



Specialised assistance
from healthcare
professionals

Ready to take the first step?

If you've noticed signs and don't know what they mean, have questions about your child's development, or are looking for support, Thriving Kids is an easy place to start.

To learn more, scan the QR code
or visit health.gov.au/thrivingkids

