



Proactive Release

Submissions on the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy

August 2019

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has released the following submission received during its public consultation on the child and youth wellbeing strategy.

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Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy – Submission Template

This document is intended for individuals or groups who wish to make a formal submission on the child and youth wellbeing strategy.

Please complete this template and email it to: childandyouthwellbeing@dpmc.govt.nz

A guide to making a submission is available on the DPMC website <https://dpmc.govt.nz/our-programmes/child-and-youth-wellbeing-strategy>

Submissions will close on **Wednesday 5 December**.

Please provide details for a contact person in case we have some follow up questions.

Contact Name:	9(2)(a)
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	
Organisation Name:	Paediatric Solutions Ltd
Organisation description: (tell us about your organisation – i.e. who do you represent? How many members do you have? Are you a local or national organisation?)	<p>I am NZ trained paediatrician with more than 25 years of work in child health. I have gained considerable experience working with vulnerable populations through my involvement in child protection, sexual abuse, and Gateway Clinics. I helped to establish a residential service 9(2)(a) – as an early intervention model for supporting vulnerable families. In 2016 I became a locum paediatrician in order to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have the flexibility to do work in the Pacific (my home) • Have the flexibility to develop a model for early intervention services in upper Northland (our NZ home)
Executive Summary: (Please provide a short summary of the key points of your Submission - 200 words)	<p>To complement our current hospital/clinic-based paediatric services, new models for effective community engagement are desperately needed.</p> <p>If we are to alter life trajectories favourably, novel early intervention approaches are required predicated upon the importance of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) operating through sensitive and critical periods, • the foundational 1st 1000 days, • the dance of nature and nurture, (and epigenetic effects) • the need for a Life Course perspective, <p>I propose a Paediatrician-led, community-based, multi-disciplinary wrap-around one-stop-shop service, with cross-sectoral (health, education, MSD/OT, Police/Corrections) collaborative engagement, to walk alongside our vulnerable</p>

	<p>whanau in a culturally appropriate manner. This service will provide a broad range of levels of input/support, commensurate with the need, ranging from residential support to home-based visits or other levels of support.</p> <p>This wrap around service will have the capacity to work with whanau with children at every stage of the paediatric spectrum (up to 18y), including during pregnancy, when so many of our taonga are currently adversely affected by poor maternal nutrition, substance use, and high stress levels. Our team will also work proactively through education and broad community development, to build resilience at both an individual and community level.</p>
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Submission Content

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