VULNERABLE CHILDREN

All Victorian health services play a vital role in the early identification and effective response to vulnerable children at risk of child abuse and neglect. All health services including hospitals, community health services, education organisations, alcohol and drug services, mental health and dental services need to have the knowledge to be able to identify and respond to vulnerability.

Campaspe, Central Victoria and Bendigo Loddon Primary Care Partnerships have produced this online professional development resource list that incorporates best practice webinars and information.

To access all other areas **Click Here**

Resources are available to suit a number of learning styles and include websites, online learning, webinars, podcasts and reports. Anticipated read time for each resource has also been indicated:

🕐 **15 minutes or less**   🕐 🕐 **15 to 45 minutes**   🕐 🕐 🕐 **More than 45 minutes**

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We respectfully acknowledge the traditional land of the first peoples and we acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung, Barapa Barapa, Wegaia, Taungurung, Wurunderji Woi Wurrung, Wemba Wemba and Yorta Yorta people who are the traditional custodians of this land. We pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging. We express our gratitude in the sharing of this land, our sorrow for the personal, spiritual and cultural costs of that sharing and our hope that we may walk forward together in harmony and in the spirit of healing.

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WEBSITES

Commission for Children and Young People

Author: Victorian Government

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐

Expected learnings: Access to a range of resources that support an organisation to meet child-safe requirements including Child Safe Standards & Reportable Conduct Scheme webinars and guides for creating a child-safe organisation. Translated resources are also available.

Emerging Minds

Author: National Workforce Centre for Child Mental Health

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐

Expected learnings: Access to a range of research papers, short articles, podcasts, webinars and factsheets on child mental health. Several resources to specifically support children during the Covid-19 pandemic are available.

Australian Childhood Foundation Resources

Author: Australian Childhood Foundation

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐

Expected learnings: Access to a large range of guides, books and posters to support an organisation to create a child-safe and friendly environment.

ONLINE MODULES

Children at Risk Learning Portal

Author: Victorian Government

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: Be able to identify and respond to children at risk of abuse and neglect and understand the role of a health and community services worker in engaging with clients in parenting roles when identifying and responding to vulnerabilities to keep children safe.

Australian Childhood Foundation Virtual Classroom

Author: Australian Childhood Foundation

Cost: $165 per session   Time: 🕐 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: The virtual classroom hosts sessions on a wide range of topics including trauma-responsive practice with families, tools for seeking and integrating children's voices in service delivery and design and supporting children and young people to heal from the trauma of family violence.

Child Aware Practice

Author: Emerging Minds

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: Enhance understanding about the impact that adult problems may have on children and to support practitioners to think about children early in any contact with a parent.

WATCH AND LISTEN

Australian Institute of Family Studies Webinar Series

Author: Australian Institute of Family Studies

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: Access to webinars and supporting resources to support practitioners to access current information on contemporary family research issues including specific resources related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Berry Street Excellence in Practice Webinars

Author: Berry Street

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: Access to online learning opportunities to improve the outcomes for the vulnerable children, young people and families you work with, through these uncertain times.

Emerging Minds Webinar Series

Author: Emerging Minds

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: Access to a series of child-focused webinars on topics including supporting trans and gender diverse children and their families and cultural considerations to support children from migrant and refugee backgrounds.

The good practice guide to Child Aware Approaches: Keeping children safe and well podcast

Author: Australian Institute of Family Studies

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐

Expected learnings: A summary of the good practice guide to Child Aware Approaches report: a practical resource for organisations,

practitioners and individuals working in social services (particularly services for children, families and adults) to put the needs, views and aspirations of children and young people at the heart of actions to improve child and family wellbeing and safety.

READING

Healthcare that counts: A framework for improving care for vulnerable children in Victorian health services

Author: Victorian Government

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: An understanding of the Victorian Government framework for improving care for vulnerable children in Victorian health services.

The long-term effects of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and what they mean for practitioners

Author: Emerging Minds

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: The expected long term impacts of the pandemic on children's mental health and the response required by practitioners to support children and their parents manage the possible effect of social isolation.

Cultural Safety for Aboriginal Children

Author: Commission for Children and Young People

Cost: Free   Time: 🕐 🕐

Expected learnings: A factsheet to support organisations to create a culturally safe environment for Aboriginal children.