

Vision of the Youth Service Network Meetings

Vision 2017

A network of services that meet the needs of local young people, reduce duplication and create more opportunities for youth. A sector where all young people are connected to the right supports at the right time.

Vision notes from Workshop May 2021

- **Connected** community Sector providing youth services
- Youth services **collaborating**: young people in Cairns are supported, heard, acknowledged and valued and are thriving members of our communities
- Make life better for young people in Cairns
- Create/ **support better outcomes** for young people in Cairns
- **Empower young people**, their families and the community
- **Collaboration** of services

Vision 2021?

A network of youth services that promote, support or create better outcomes, programs and opportunities for young people in Cairns.

WHAT

Purpose of the Youth Service Network Meetings

Purpose 2017

Improved service coordination and delivery through increased information sharing, connecting, partnerships and collaboration.

Purpose notes from Workshop May 2021

- Forum to connect with other youth services
- Networking
- Collaboration
- Sharing intelligence
- Education
- Supporting youth
- Supporting NGO partners
- Strengthening the youth sector
- Sharing the same goal of supporting young people
- Face to face connections
- Unity amongst services
- Youth need to be heard
- Connection
- Understanding
- Collaboration
- Information sharing
- Link youth services, network and others
- Build capacity of service providers
- Partnership and understanding of other services
- Understanding needs of young people

Purpose 2021?

Understand barriers for youth to access services in Cairns and create collaborative pathways for services to build networks and connections for information sharing.

WHY

Objectives of the Youth Service Network Meetings

Objectives 2017

- Strong understanding of organizations and roles within the sector
- Maximize outcomes for young people through partnerships and knowledge
- Collectively promote and advocate the needs of local young people with consideration of cultural factors and dynamics unique to the region
- Develop seamless referral pathways
- Encourage and develop the voice of young people
- Improved coordination and delivery of youth engagement initiatives

Objectives notes from Workshop May 2021

- Best outcomes for youth
- Collaborate to enhance youth access
- Informed about other providers
- Establish new connections and networks in the youth sector
- Link better to young people as our clients - advisory / ambassador group - pathways for their voices to be heard
- Seamless transition between services / service systems
- Reduce stigma - re seeking support
- Understanding the service system and reducing barriers to access
- Network - Support
- Improve our community
- Reduce barriers to access/ seek support
- Identify needs of the young people
- Empower youth and create better outcomes and opportunities
- Educate community, young people and providers
- To provide opportunity for networking and building relationships / partnerships
- Deliver information directly to young people

Objectives 2021?

- Aim to reduce duplication and maximize outcomes for young people through partnerships
- Collaborate to enhance youth access
- Promote and advocate the needs of local young people
- Encourage and develop the voice of young people
- Improved coordination and delivery of youth engagement initiatives
- Forum to connect and learn about other youth services
- Information sharing amongst internal staff

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Youth Service Network: Terms of Reference

