



INCLUSION SUPPORT PROGRAM

The *Inclusion Support Program* (ISP) is a key element of the Australian Government's Child Care Safety Net, which was rolled out progressively from July 2016 as a precursor to the Child Care Package introduced in 2018. The Child Care Safety Net aims to give the most vulnerable children a strong start while supporting parents into work. The ISP assists early learning and child care services to improve their capacity and capability to provide inclusive practices and address barriers to participation for children with additional needs, including those with disability.

The Department of Education has engaged Macquarie University to conduct this survey into the capacities and capabilities of educators to provide quality inclusive practices.

The findings of this survey will contribute to the evaluation of the Child Care Safety Net, as part of the evaluation of the Child Care Package led by the Australian Institute of Family Studies.

We want to find out what you think is working well and how the ISP can be strengthened, so **we are asking you to complete a survey**. Your participation in the survey is voluntary. No one will be identified through the analysis and reporting. The information and feedback that you give us will be treated as private and confidential.

What you tell us will help us understand the best ways of supporting inclusive practice in early and middle childhood services across Australia. To thank you for your time, Macquarie University is offering a **prize draw for a chance to win one of five sets of children's books for your service**.

If you participated in 2018 and shared your email address with us for the Phase 2 survey, then **you should receive a survey link on the 15th July**. This survey link will come in an email from Kathy.cologon@mq.edu.au. If you did not participate last time, or if you did not share your email with us, or **if you haven't received an email then please register for the study**.

You can [register here now](https://mqedu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2izKsHsgDmCpJeB) (https://mqedu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2izKsHsgDmCpJeB)

Once you have registered, we will send you an email with information and a link to the survey. The survey can be completed from the 15th of July to the 15th November, 2019.

When you have completed the survey, you will be able to download a copy of your answers.

Questions? Get in touch with your Inclusion Professional or email the research team at:

InclusionResearchProject@gmail.com

THANK YOU!

"I enjoyed completing this survey as it enabled me to more closely think about the strategies that my service provides ... It also made me think more about different aspects of what inclusion means."

"Brilliant opportunity for reflective discussion and relationship building with Inclusion Professional."

(Survey feedback from services)

