

Innovative Solutions Support – Project Proposal Template

This is a planning tool designed to assist services to develop their project proposal which is a key part of the Innovative Solutions Support application. The reflective questions provided are intended to assist in discussing and writing the project proposal.

This template can be submitted as part of the application. When completing the case in the IS Portal, either:

- A. Attach this document in a secure format (PDF) in the Attachments Tile; or
- B. Copy and paste the information from each text box into the Business Case Tile.

1. Identify the barriers to inclusion

- Use the Strategic Inclusion Plan (SIP) to help identify the barriers to inclusion.
- Describe the barriers to inclusion for children with additional needs and their impact.
What are the barriers to inclusion relating to children, educators and/or care environment? Describe what is happening for children and educators? What is the impact? Consider children's level of participation and interaction. Why do educators think this is happening?
- Outline why a funded project is needed and other supports you have explored and strategies implemented before applying for funding.
(Approx. 200 words, depending on the size and complexity of the project)

2. Outline the solution to address the barriers to inclusion

Provide details about the design of the project.

- Outline the project you would like to implement.
*What do you want to do? How long will the project take?
Does the project have different components? Describe each component providing details such as where will it occur; who will be involved; how many sessions and how long for, any content covered; what will happen etc?*
- Provide a rationale for selecting the provider.
*Which service providers were contacted to support the project? How did you identify a suitable provider to assist? What are your reasons for selecting this provider?
(Approx. 300 words, depending on the size and complexity of the project)*

3. Outline the expected outcomes of the project

Outline the expected outcomes and show how they will address the identified barriers to inclusion.

- State the expected outcomes in relation to educators, children, and the overall care environment.
*What do you want to achieve?
What would specifically change or improve as a result of implementing this project? What skills/knowledge will the educators gain?*
- Detail the strategies which will be used to sustain the changes.
*How do you intend to sustain outcomes once the project is finished? How will educators continue to review and refine the changes to their practices?
(Approx. 200 words, depending on the size and complexity of the project)*

Do you need any assistance?

- ❖ Contact your Inclusion Agency
- ❖ Access the Innovative Solutions Support Information Sheet and Inclusion Support Program Guidelines on the department's website <https://www.education.gov.au/inclusion-support-program-isp>
- ❖ For further information and resources see the IDFM website <https://www.idfm.org.au/innovative-solutions>

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