



## Looking for:

- 👉 A new easy to use but comprehensive review tool?
- 👉 a stronger way of working with Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal families

## WINANGAY Resources have a new resource to REVIEW Kinship Care placements

For both non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal carers

**"This is all about our kids... as they are our future !"**

This resource means kinship carers will be listened to and be equal in the process, so kids and kinship carers can say what they need" *Aunty Sue Blacklock*

### We are running training at ACWA / CCWT

**Monday and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November 9.30 am - 4.30 pm**  
(morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea provided)

**Level 4 699 George St Sydney**

Bookings and further information contact Paula Hayden on **0421 912 757**

### New Review Tool – as featured at the recent ACWA conference

After requests from a number of services, Winangay Resources have developed a new review tool to allow workers to conduct annual reviews of placements and carers. The tool has been derived from the main Winangay assessment resource. Like all the Winangay resources it involves a collaborative process with workers and carers working together to identify strengths and concerns, then creating an action plan to meet any identified unmet needs. Initial feedback has been very positive, from both carers and workers.

"An easy to use, collaborative and engaging tool it provides the foundation for an effective case planning process."

**WINANGAY Resources** is a small not-for-profit Aboriginal controlled non government organisation established to develop resources.

**WINANGAY** in Gamilaraay (Kamilaroi) means: to know, to think, to love, to understand.

The **WINANGAY** Kinship Care Review tool is informed by research, practice wisdom, Elders, carers, academics and service providers.

### The Resource is...

- 👉 **Respectful** and **empowering**
- 👉 **Flexible** and will engage the **full range of kinship carers**
- 👉 **Easy to Use** and Engaging
- 👉 Focuses on **Strengths**
- 👉 **Collaborative** and transparent – creates an equal partnership between workers and carers
- 👉 In **plain English** and Accessible
- 👉 **Not bureaucratic** or "WELFARE"
- 👉 Uses **yarning** and **visual strength cards**
- 👉 **Culturally Appropriate**
- 👉 Has an **Action Plan** to jointly address unmet needs and any concerns as well as identifying required services and support.

The review tool covers key aspects of care including:

#### Session 1: with carers

- Adjusting to kids, (impact of caring on carer's family)
- Quality of placement issues
- Growing Kids Strong (explores connections, education, emotional needs, health & other needs)
- Staying Strong as a Carer (self care, community involvement, support, mental health and AOD issues)

#### Session 2: with carers

- Safety, rules and discipline, contact,
- Working with others

#### Kids session

- A **KiD's Say** session ensures that kids have the opportunity to be heard and participate in decision making

**WINANGAY Resources – Stronger Ways with Aboriginal Children and Families**

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