WINANGAY Resources have a new resource to REVIEW Kinship Care placements

For both non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal carers

“We are running training at
ACWA / CCWT
Monday and Tuesday 19th and 20th
November 9.30 am - 4.30 pm
(morning tea/lunch/afternoon tea provided)

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.

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