Goal

All Australian children in kinship care and their carers have access to supports necessary to develop and live their best life, regardless of the legal status of the care arrangement, the child-carer relationship, their Indigenous or non-Indigenous status, & location.

**Outcomes** 

Kinship Alliance Australia is a funded national organisation committed to achieving better outcomes for all Australian children in kinship care and their families.



There is greater awareness throughout the Australian community of the existence and vital role that kinship carers play.

informal kinship care families have equitable access to social and financial support as formal kinship care families.

Children in informal kinship care and carers experience greater wellbeing.

Informal kinship carers have a simple legal means of authorising children's medical care & activities, and obtaining Medicare cards & birth certificates.

Specialised services are available for informal kinship carers and children to support positive care environments.

Reduced numbers of children in child protection care arrangements in Australia.

## Interim Outcomes

Secure medium and long-term funding.

Kinship Alliance Australia has wide engagement with individuals, groups and organisations who are invested in better outcomes for kinship care families.

The community has greater and deeper understanding of issues facing kinship care families and opportunities to provide them with better support.

Continue to develop Kinship Alliance Australia as a national kinship care organisation

Grant applications (medium & long-term funding focussed).

Building engagement with current and new individuals, groups and organisations in all States and Territories

Work with mainstream media and social media to communicate issues, impacts and ambitions.

## Ongoing Activities

Continue to build the roles, responsibilities and membership of the Board of Management.

Continuing collaboration with the Parliamentary Friends of Grandparent and Kinship Carers

Elevating the voice of kinship carers and children/young people with lived experience of kinship care to illustrate the challenges and barriers.

Ongoing relationship building and lobbying with governments and philanthropy.

Formulating and communicating easy/quick wins for impact.

Responses to government inquiries as they arise.

## **Key inputs**

Time and resources of Board Members

Time and resources of Dr Meredith Kiraly - expert consultant (pro bono) and advocate

Expertise of Friends of the Alliance.