



# fkaCS Information Sheet: Cultural Inclusion Support

## All Education and Care Services can access Cultural Inclusion Support

Education and Care Services can access Cultural Inclusion Support from fka Children's Services (fkaCS) on a fee-for-service full recovery cost basis. fkaCS members will receive a 10% discount.

fkaCS will work with you in developing a program of support that may include a range of support options such as;

- cultural inclusion action planning to identify the unintended barriers for CALD children's and families active participation in education and care services;
- the provision of a worker who speaks a community language;
- culturally responsive curriculum and practice support;
- understanding and connecting with your local community; and
- onsite and group Professional Learning opportunities

Eligible Victorian Kindergartens can access subsidized support under the Victorian Kindergarten Cultural Inclusion Program. Australian Government approved Education and Care Services may apply to the Inclusion Development Fund under the Inclusion Support Program to cover the cost.

### Eligible Victorian Kindergartens

Eligible Victorian Kindergartens are defined as state funded Kindergartens.

Eligible Victorian Kindergartens have access to the Victorian Kindergarten Cultural Inclusion Program. The Department of Education and Training (DET) contracts fkaCS to deliver the Victorian Kindergarten Cultural Inclusion Program.

The purpose of this program is to build the capacity of Victorian kindergartens to support the active participation of multilingual children and families in their early education.

If you would like more information about the Victorian Kindergarten Cultural Inclusion Program please visit

<http://fka.org.au/cultural-inclusion-support/cultural-inclusion-support-for-victorian-kindergartens>

Please contact fkaCS for more information:

E: [culturalinclusion@fka.org.au](mailto:culturalinclusion@fka.org.au)

P: 03 9428 4471

### Australian Government Approved Education and Care Services

Australian Government approved education and care service may be eligible for Innovative Solutions Funding to contribute to/or cover the costs of Cultural Inclusion Support. fkaCS can provide a quote for services based on the barriers to inclusion for CALD children and families as identified in the Strategic Inclusion Plan (SIP).

fkaCS members can access additional support in developing the business case to accompany the application if required and can also access telephone and electronic support to identify and implement strategies whilst the application and approval process is being undertaken.

For more information about the Inclusion Support Program and Innovative Solutions Funding please visit [www.viac.com.au](http://www.viac.com.au)

Please see overleaf for more information on accessing cultural inclusion support...



# Accessing Cultural Inclusion Support

Service Type	How fkaCS can help
Eligible Victorian Kindergartens	<p>You can continue to access support via the Victorian Government Funded Kindergarten Cultural Inclusion Support Program.</p> <p>Visit the fkaCS website to find more information on the Victorian Government Funded Kindergarten Cultural Inclusion Support Program  <a href="http://fka.org.au/cultural-inclusion-support/cultural-inclusion-support-for-victorian-kindergartens">http://fka.org.au/cultural-inclusion-support/cultural-inclusion-support-for-victorian-kindergartens</a></p> <p>Please contact fkaCS to discuss your Cultural Inclusion Support needs</p> <p>E: <a href="mailto:culturalinclusion@fka.org.au">culturalinclusion@fka.org.au</a></p> <p>P: 03 9428 4471</p> <p><i>Note: Eligible Victorian Kindergartens are defined as state funded Kindergartens.</i></p>
Australian Government Approved Early Childhood Education and Care Services	<p>You can apply for Innovative Solutions Funding from the Inclusion Development Fund (IDF) Manager to purchase support as part of the Inclusion Support Programme (ISP). Information can be found via: <a href="https://www.education.gov.au/inclusion-support-programme-isp">https://www.education.gov.au/inclusion-support-programme-isp</a>.</p> <p>If you wish to apply for Innovative Solutions Funding to contribute to/cover the costs of Cultural Inclusion and Bilingual Support contact the Victorian Inclusion Agency to begin the process: <b>1800 177 017</b> or <a href="http://www.viac.com.au">www.viac.com.au</a>. Prior to applying for IDF Innovative Solutions Support, a service must complete a Strategic Inclusion Plan (SIP) in collaboration with the Inclusion Agency.</p> <p>fkaCS can provide a quote for services based on the barriers to inclusion for CALD children and families as identified in the Strategic Inclusion Plan (SIP). fkaCS members can access additional support in developing the business case to accompany the application if required and can also access telephone and electronic support to identify and implement strategies whilst the application and approval process is being undertaken.</p> <p><b>What can Innovative Solutions Funds be used for? (Extract from ISP Guidelines 2016)</b></p> <p>Examples of innovative solutions may include (but are not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funding to purchase translating and interpreting services and/or bilingual workers to engage with parents and/or settle a child from a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) background</li> <li>• Funding to purchase services from cultural experts e.g. Indigenous community elders, bicultural support workers</li> <li>• Funding for specialist advice on how to include a particular child, beyond the expertise of the Inclusion Agency e.g. advice from trauma or hearing specialist which may include travel and accommodation costs for the specialist.</li> </ul> <p>The Victorian Inclusion Agency is a consortium comprising Community Child Care, KU Children's Services &amp; Yooralla. Contact them on <b>1800 177 017</b> or visit <a href="http://www.viac.com.au">www.viac.com.au</a>.</p>
Education and Care Services not eligible for subsidized support	<p>You can access Cultural Inclusion (Pedagogy and Practice) and Bilingual (Community Language) Support from FKA Children's Services (fkaCS) on a fee-for-service full cost recovery basis. Members receive a 10% discount.</p> <p>Please contact fkaCS to discuss your Cultural Inclusion Support needs</p> <p>E: <a href="mailto:culturalinclusion@fka.org.au">culturalinclusion@fka.org.au</a></p> <p>P: 03 9428 4471</p>