

ANONYMOUS 17006 - New submission from Early Years Strategy - Public Submissions

Implementation of an early years strategy is critical in helping children achieve their full potential. This requires a coordinated response considering social determinants of health (housing, income, intergenerational poverty/trauma), antenatal care and childhood needs (childcare, access to health services, universal early learning, access to maternal child health nurses).

Our system is too often targeted at the well off. The shame is that the children who need the most amount of help are often the children accessing the least amount of help.

Our system needs a redesign not only at a macro level (population screening, programs...) but also at a more micro level for those children who are most in need.