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Simple approaches:

1. Free books and toys to mothers and other care givers for at risk children in low income settings, eg, 10% of 300,000 children born annually - $\$20 \times 30,000 = \$600,000$. No backlash from those opposed to "leaners" and multiplier effects.
2. Roll out ANFPP to all vulnerable children, not just indigenous communities - the original Olds Altimera programme produced evidence for significant benefits across the whole community of 'at risk' children. See Adam Graycar on Ockham's Razor for explanations of why this has not happened <https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/ockhamsrazor/public-policy-its-so-obvious/3286658>
3. This graph provides data to impel a whole of government approach, to proactively support children at risk for the benefit of health outcomes and, subsequently, health budgets <https://www.bmj.com/content/371/bmj.m3048>, as well as as the moral imperative and the need to protect the community for externalising outcomes.