



## Premier of Western Australia

Our Ref: 24-658313

Ms Megan Mitchell  
National Children's Commissioner  
Australian Human Rights Commission  
GPO Box 5218  
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Commissioner

I refer to your request for information regarding education, health and welfare policies, programs and services administered by the Western Australian Government in relation to young parents and their children, in order to assist the preparation of your 2017 annual report.

To date, Western Australia has not undertaken a comprehensive evaluation of services and programs in relation to young parents and their children. However, information about these services and programs has been provided to me by the Department for Child Protection and Family Support, the Departments of Health, Local Government and Communities, Corrective Services and Education, and the Mental Health Commission, and is enclosed for your reference. This information covers both services and programs targeted specifically to young parents and their children, and those with a wider scope of application.

I trust this information will be of assistance to you in the preparation of your report and thank you for the opportunity to contribute to your investigation into decreasing the risk profile of this cohort.

Should you have any further queries, please contact Rae Markham, Principal Policy Officer, Department of the Premier and Cabinet: [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark McGowan'.

Mark McGowan MLA  
**PREMIER**

**30 JUN 2017**