



Grainne O'Loughlin
CEO
Karitane

Qualifications:

- BSc (Hons) Speech Therapy
- MBA (2011)
- Australian Institute of Company Directors: Graduate 2018

Experience:

Grainne joined Karitane in 2014 as CEO and has over 35 years' experience in public health and community services in the UK and Australia. She has held a variety of senior executive roles and has extensive strategic and operational management experience in not-for-profit healthcare and community settings. Grainne is an experienced Board Director holding the following appointments:

- Chair, Australasian Association of Parenting & Child Health Board (AAPCH) – current
- Chair, National Ability Roundtable – current
- Board Director, Association of Children's Welfare Agencies – current
- Board Director, NSW Health Services Association Board (HSA) (Chair, 2017-2023)
- Board Director, Kindship
- Founding Member of the National Child & Family Hubs Network-Steering Committee
- Member of the National Social Economic Empowerment Advisory Committee (SEEAC)
- Member of the National Strategy for Volunteering Council

Grainne is a strategic, innovative & driven leader who has a strong focus on collaboration across the sector and strives to achieve desired outcomes in early intervention and prevention services for families from vulnerable communities. She is committed to leadership, education and research initiatives around the First 2000 Days and a range of innovative practice and evidence based, data-driven early intervention and prevention programs to ensure children are getting the best possible start in life.

Grainne is passionate about partnering with like-minded leaders who are striving for better coordination and collaboration of services that support families in the early years at a system transformation level. She has an extensive network across federal & state governments, academic partnerships, philanthropy and with health, disability, early education and non-government sector leaders across Australia.

Grainne has led the design of a number of cross sector, innovative collaborative service models of care including the National For When Perinatal Mental Health Navigator model, Virtual residential Parenting Services, establishment of integrated child and family hubs, with navigators/key workers for priority populations, as well as the co-design of hybrid models of care to integrate the use of virtual care technology in the child and family ecosystem.