



# South Metropolitan Aboriginal Ear Health Program



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## Background

- Project began as a result of research undertaken by Telethon Kids Institute
- Issues identified:
  - High prevalence of Otitis Media among the infants living in South Metro
  - Access to specialist services for families
  - A range of service providers
- Need for the establishment of an integrated approach



## How can we see more kids?

It was recognised there was a need for:

- A service that is culturally safe and family centred
- Administration of clinic – Moorditj Koort Aboriginal Corporation
- Access to Specialist Services
- Support for families when children require surgery



## Achievements to date:

- Established an integrated, culturally safe approach.
- Continuity of Services.
- Service now been operational for over 2 years.
- Access to surgery close to home.
- Future Plans.



Family voices.



Going to the Moorditj Koort ENT clinic a few months ago changed my 9 yr old daughters life.

Rayana's mum, Lisa




“I’m writing this to tell you how wonderful my experience has been with the Cockburn ear clinic”.  
Mum Stacey. |





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  - Hearing Australia – HAPEE Program
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  - Perth Children's Hospital
  - Moorditj Koort
  - Specialise in kids -ENT
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Any Questions?