

**Family Day Carers as Parent
Mentors:
The Partners in Parenting
Program**

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Carer mentor

Partners Parenting program

Seminar Outline

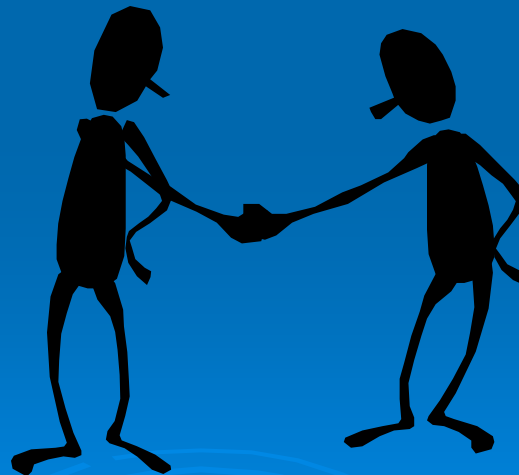
- I. Introduction**
- II. Background and Operation**
- III. Resources needed**
- IV. How I run the program**
- v. PIP Case Study**
- VI. Feedback and Discussion**
- VII. Introduce PIP Training Resource**

Background to the PIP project

How it operates

- **Initiative of Wyong Shire Council**
- **Wyong Family Day Care**
- **Referral**
- **Home visit for registration, development of goals**
- **Matching with/ joint visit to mentor**

Partners in Parenting in My Family Day Care Home



Family Day Care Resources

- **Myself and my skills and training**
- **My professional and personal experiences**
- **Resource folders**
- **Child care environment**
- **Expertise of the coordination unit**
- **Other agencies**



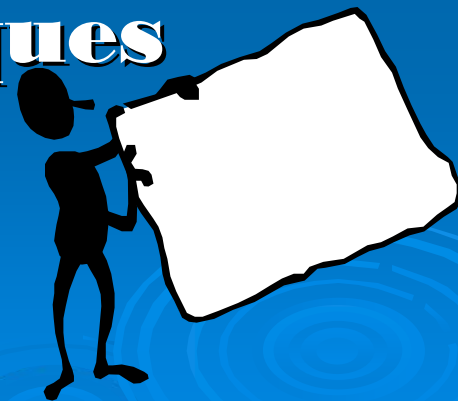
How I Run The Program

- **Introduce myself / background**
- **My Qualifications**
- **My Training**
- **Offer advice**
- **Takes time**
- **Offer techniques & strategies**



Placement Starts

- **Discuss goals, choose one**
- **General overview of child development**
- **Specific handouts**
- **Strategies and techniques**
- **Homework**



Placement Continues

- **Overview of week**
- **Strategies reinforced and role model**
- **New strategies**
- **Ask questions and observe**
- **Encourage to practice**
- **Tutored**
- **Role play**



End of Placement

- **Review goals**
- **Achieve or not**
- **Why or why not**
- **Further strategies**
- **Evaluation and feedback**



Successful Placement

- **Numerous Goals**
- **Overwhelming**
- **Morning tea**
- **Breakthrough**
- **Successes**

