### Measurable signs of progress: Our Way Interim Indicators

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### Outcomes

#### Building Block 1 — All families enjoy access to quality, culturally safe, universal and targeted services necessary for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children to thrive

- Proportion of investment in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations for various service types
  - ROGS data & Family Matters Report
- Re-notification requiring investigation within six months of fully participating (intervention occurred in) Family Wellbeing or Intensive Family Support Service compared with those eligible for family support who did not participate (percentage)
  - CSYW performance data

#### Building Block 2 — Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children and organisations participate in and have control over decisions that affect their children

- Satisfaction with Family Participation Program process
  - Flagship evaluation data
- Building Block 3 — Law, policy and practice in child and family welfare are culturally safe and responsive

- Significant changes in systems/policies
  - Interviews, surveys and SIPSI Tool
- Proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out-of-home care placed with kinship or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander carer
  - NFPAC and CSYW performance data

### Building Block 4 — Governments and services are accountable to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

- Number, quality and independence of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander accountability mechanisms
  - Interviews, focus groups and SIPSI Tool

### Acronyms

- CSYW: Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women
- ROGS: Report on Government Services
- SIPSI: Significant Instances of Policy and Systems Improvement (SIPSI) tool is a story-based evaluation tool designed to capture, measure and report on emergent instances of policy and systems improvements.
Our Way Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

Queensland First Children and Families Board

The Queensland First Children and Families Board (QFCFB) will monitor progress of the implementation of the Strategy and action plans against the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework and report annually to government, National Family Matters and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families.

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* Scheduled report delivery has been planned to allow for alignment with other key processes, including Supporting Families, Changing Futures Evaluations and budget cycles. Delivery times may be altered in response to emergent dependencies.

**Monitoring Focus:** Implementation and impact

**Purpose:** To determine if actions and initiatives are on track to deliver expected outputs and outcomes and progress against targets

**Evaluation Focus:** Building Blocks

**Purpose:** To undertake an in-depth exploration where monitoring shows actions/initiatives or indicators are significantly off track or exceptional positive outcomes being achieved

**Impact Focus: Targets**

**Purpose:** To determine if and how Our Way has delivered expected impact

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children are experiencing parity across the following wellbeing domains
  - Health
  - Safety
  - Culture and connections
  - Mental health and emotional wellbeing
  - Home and environment
  - Learning and skills
  - Empowerment
  - Economic wellbeing

- Close the gap in life outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families
- Eliminate the disproportionate representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in the child protection system
- Impact experienced by the four Our Way beneficiary groups

**Outcome**

- All families enjoy access to quality, culturally safe universal and targeted services necessary for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders

**Evaluations**

**Who benefits**

- All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families experiencing vulnerability and disadvantage
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families in contact with family support systems
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out of home care

**Implications**

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and organisations participate in and have control over decisions that affect their children
- Law, policy and practice in child and family welfare are culturally safe and responsive
- Governments and community services are accountable to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

**Wellbeing Outcomes Framework**

The Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Wellbeing Framework will be co-designed with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. It will provide a set of indicators to measure a holistic view of the impact of Our Way and will be informed by national and international best practice culturally responsive wellbeing frameworks.

**Indicators**

- Economic wellbeing
- Empowerment
- Learning and skills
- Home and environment
- Mental health and emotional wellbeing
- Culture and connections
- Safety
- Health

**Outcomes**

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in contact with family support systems
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out of home care

**Evaluations**

**Implementation Reviews**

- QFCFB Reporting (Annual Public Report Card of Progress and quarterly to Ministers)
- QFCFB Ongoing impact and Implementation Monitoring

**Acronyms**

- QFCFB National Framework for Protecting Australia’s Children
- NFPAC National Framework for Protecting Australia’s Children
- SFCF Supporting Families, Changing Futures
- ROGS Report on Government Services
- OPS Our Future State: Advancing Queensland’s Priorities
- OCG Closing the Gap