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ParentsNext



Find your next step with ParentsNext

What is ParentsNext?

ParentsNext is a support program to help you **plan your next steps towards study or work.**

Your **ParentsNext consultant** is there to help you build your confidence, develop your skills and access local services. You don't need to start looking for a job.

Why was I asked to take part in ParentsNext?

ParentsNext is for parents and carers who:



Have received **Parenting Payment** for the last 6 months



Care for a child **under 6 years of age**



Have **not reported paid work** to Centrelink in the last 6 months

What happens next?



Attend your Centrelink meeting (by phone or in person) to schedule your first appointment with a **ParentsNext consultant.**



You're welcome to bring your children if you want to.



If the location of the ParentsNext office doesn't suit you, **please tell your ParentsNext consultant.** It may be possible to find an **office closer to you.**

For more information go to employment.gov.au/parentsnext








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How does ParentsNext support parents?

Support might include:

-  help with finding a **course** or **work experience**
-  putting you in touch with **other parents**
-  help with **arranging financial support** for childcare and study and, if available, access to **wage subsidies**
-  help with skills such as **writing a resume** and **job interview practice**
-  **connecting you** with local services including for domestic and family violence, counselling and emotional support

Translation services

For help speaking or understanding English, call the Interpreting Service (TIS National) on **131 450** for the cost of a local call. Ask them to call the **National Customer Service Line** if you need information translated. Or visit the Resources page on the ParentsNext website for **information in different languages**.



What happens at my first ParentsNext appointment?

You will **meet your ParentsNext consultant**. They will get to know you and listen to what you hope to achieve for family, study and future work.

You need to go to this meeting to keep getting your payment.

If there is a reason **you can't go**, please contact your consultant **beforehand** to let them know.

Before the meeting, take some time to think about:

The things that interest you

Any concerns you might have

Skills you have

The kind of work you might like to do in the future



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