



**CREATING THE FUTURE :
FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

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CREATING THE FUTURE is a video resource package for children and families affected by domestic violence and child abuse. It is the companion for CHANGE COULD COME, an education and training package for adults.

CREATING THE FUTURE provides:

- A structured approach to working with 4 - 12 year old children who have experienced domestic violence and abuse
- An effective "one-step removed" approach to assist children and families process their personal experiences of violence and abuse using the family situations in the video
- Clarification of beliefs about gender, power and responsibility and how these beliefs are shaped by the domestic violence context

"Such an effective way to raise the issue. The whole package helps workers to handle these difficult issues with their clients and families."

"Focuses on practical ideas and strategies to work with children and families affected by domestic violence. It's an excellent resource for our workers and clients."

"As an Aboriginal woman it's great to see Koori characters, to hear Aboriginal English - and to have Aboriginal families as an education resource."



- Culturally appropriate resources that assist children and families to overcome the effects of domestic violence and abuse and develop positive relationships based on equality, respect and trust

HOW TO USE THE PACKAGE

CREATING THE FUTURE is suitable for use by health, welfare, educational and therapeutic workers whose clients are 4-12 year old children and their families. The resource package can be used in both individual and group work with children, young people and families who:

- Currently live in situations of domestic violence
 - Have separated as a result of domestic violence
 - Have contact with the offending parent
 - Have no contact with the offending parent
 - Are friends, peers or relatives of children and families who have experienced domestic violence and abuse



CREATING THE FUTURE CONTAINS

A 60 minute video featuring:

- Noni Hazlehurst as the host and presenter
- The Jannawi Kids who realistically depict a range of children's experiences of both living with and separating from domestic violence
- Stories that demonstrate cultural diversity and respect for Indigenous reconciliation including "Murruga Burrapur - Maybe Tomorrow" with Indigenous actors Ernie Dingo and the late Bob Maza as narrators and the late Pauline McLeod as storyteller
- Eight sections with stories of 6-9 minutes duration that link with the Leader's Handbook and the Activity Books

Leader's Handbook:

- Contains 32 pages of comprehensive background information, key concepts, questions and presenter's notes

Activity Books:

- Contains 120 pages of worksheets, songs, puzzles, stories and activities to process the content and issues raised in the video
- Each section of the video has its own selection of activities

The Compact Disk:

- Including 13 soundtracks for all the stories on video and several versions of the Jannawi Kid's Club Song

Colour Poster and Stickers:

- An A2 full colour display poster featuring the award winning Jannawi Kids puppets
- 80 stickers featuring the 10 puppets (x4) and 40 affirmation statements

"It's very transportable and easy to use in families' homes...Great to use with parents who aren't very literate - it really sparks discussion."

"Creating The Future is a prime example of a package well put together for use with parents and children facing domestic violence situations."

"Very good mixture of learning styles. Just 'luv' the puppets - deadly!"

"There is a real lack of materials available for workers today. This resource package can be used in such a variety of different ways."

"The issues raised in the package were very similar to those faced by the women at our refuge. A very positive and motivated response was given by the group."

"The flexibility of these resources makes it possible for use with both groups and individual situations."

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