

## YOUTH CONNECTIONS – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### Eligibility Checklist

- Within the age range of 11 – 19yrs
- At risk of disengaging / has disengaged from education and therefore at risk of not attaining Year 12 or equivalent and of not making a successful transition through school to further education, training or employment
- Has significant personal risk factors or barriers that affect successful participation in education, training or employment
- Is an Australian citizen, permanent resident or on a humanitarian visa

**Additional Criteria:** The delivery of Youth Connections services to young people will depend on the Service Type most appropriate to their individual circumstances. Each Service Type carries additional criteria:

SERVICE TYPE	LEVEL OF ENGAGEMENT	CHARACTERISED BY (typical / examples)
Type 1	Still at school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Low literacy/numeracy</li> <li>o Poor school achievement</li> <li>o Dissatisfaction with school</li> <li>o Behaviour issues</li> <li>o History of being Bullied or Bullying</li> </ul>
Type 2a	At school but at imminent risk of disengaging OR Has disengaged (< 3 months)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Multiple risk factors / barriers</li> <li>o High levels of non attendance or suspension</li> <li>o Minimal engagement or participation in other social or community activities</li> <li>o Unlikely to make successful transition</li> </ul>
Type 2b	Severely disengaged (> 3 months)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Multiple risk factors / barriers</li> <li>o Complex personal situations</li> <li>o Left school before completing Year 12</li> <li>o Minimal engagement or participation in other social or community activities</li> <li>o No plans to re-engage to complete Year 12 or equivalent</li> <li>o Unemployed</li> </ul>

### Ineligibility

A young person will **NOT** be eligible if they:

- Do not face significant barriers or personal factors that define them as 'at risk'
- Have completed year 12 or its equivalent (Cert II level vocational training)
- Only need minor assistance in areas such as career advice, resume writing or interview skills and are likely to successfully transition **and/or** have indicated they intend leave school before completing year 12 to take up an employment opportunity and are likely to make a successful transition;
- Are in employment or tertiary studies at the time of assessment;
- Are receiving services delivered by State Government programs providing similar assistance



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