

You can talk to us....

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Reconnect is an early intervention program for young people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless & their families



Reconnect is a service of Queensland Youth Services Inc. Funded by Department of Families, Housing, Community Services & Indigenous Affairs

What is RECONNECT and who is it for?

RECONNECT helps young people who are homeless and those at the risk of homelessness to become more involved with their family, work, education, training and the community through mediation, counseling and practical support for the **whole** family.

RECONNECT is a program delivered by Queensland Youth Services to provide confidential support to families to try to help young people to stay at home until they have the necessary skills to become independent.

RECONNECT works closely with other local services to provide help in a way that is sensitive to **your** family's needs and those of **your** community.



"Families Connecting" Fun Day 2008

How will RECONNECT meet the needs of each family?

RECONNECT believes families are experts in how their family operates and what has been useful for them in the past.



RECONNECT "Pyramids of Hope" Program

RECONNECT will listen to you and help you to find out what will work best for **your** family.

RECONNECT services provide a range of support to both young people and families that

are determined by your own unique circumstances.

RECONNECT is flexible and can meet with you at a **safe** location where you feel comfortable such as at the local RECONNECT service, school, home or another venue in the community.



RECONNECT "Paintball"

How does RECONNECT help young people and their families?

RECONNECT can help **young people** to:

- Work things out with their family
- Connect with programs that help to find employment
- Stay in school when it get's tough
- Link into training options
- Get income support if eligible
- Find somewhere safe to stay if necessary

RECONNECT can help **Parents, Guardians and Families** to:

- Work things out with the young person
- Find out the best way to talk things through
- Learn to live together when things are hard
- Learn to live apart but stay connected

