

National Youth Settlement Framework

What is the NYSF?

Developed by MYAN (Australia), it is the first evidence-based guide for supporting and measuring good practice in youth settlement across sectors. The NYSF builds on young people's capabilities, strengthens their rights and meets their needs.

Why do we need it?

Young people have enormous potential to be active contributors to and participants in Australian society. They experience the settlement journey differently to adults and young children and a targeted approach in policy and programming is the best way to ensure they realise their potential.

How do I use it in my work?

Use the Good Practice Capabilities, the Self-Assessment tools and the domains and indicators of Active Citizenship for designing, delivering and evaluating policy and programming.

Applying the Good Practice Capabilities at a service delivery level

- Cultural Competence
- Youth Participation
- Collaboration
- Youth Centred
- Trauma Informed
- Advocacy
- Strengths Based
- Family Aware
- Reflective Practice
- Youth Development
- Flexible and Responsive
- Outcomes Focused
- Rights Based

Work across the Active Citizenship Domains

- Economic Participation
- Civic Participation
- Social Participation
- Personal Wellbeing

Applying Active Citizenship Indicators

Economic Participation

- Acquiring English language skills
- Digital literacy
- Engaged in pathways towards employment inc. education/training
- Stable income
- Safe, stable housing

Social Participation

- Participation in community life e.g. sport and recreation
- Free from racism and discrimination and/or able to manage experiences of racism and discrimination
- Positive peer networks
- Bridging and bonding networks

Civic Participation

- Understanding and enjoyment of Australia's political and civil rights and responsibilities
- Participation in democratic processes/political decision making
- Understanding and enjoyment of legal rights and responsibilities
- Participation in volunteering activities

Personal well-being

- Positive relationships-connections with peers, family, community
- Positive self-esteem
- Positive physical, mental and sexual health
- Goals for the future and understanding of pathways to achieve these goals
- Well-developed life skills
- Positive intergenerational relationships-in Australia and overseas

Achieving Active Citizenship

Good settlement outcomes for young people

Navigation of multicultural identity

Sense of belonging in Australian society

Positive cultural & religious expressions and freedom to engage with cultural & religious expression

Understanding Australian culture and society

Access to and capacity to navigate a range of services