



# HANDS UP MALLEE

## The role of the Community Leaders Table

### Holding the whole

The Community Leaders Table holds the overall strategic vision for the initiative, to make sure the work delivers better outcomes for children, youth and strengthens families. It's important that each Action Teams' work is all ultimately working as one piece of work, all of which is supported by enabling teams and championed by the Community Leaders Table.

### Community engagement

The Community Leaders Table ensures that the voices of those who are most affected by the change are a part of the decision making. As a member of the Community Leaders Table we will seek opinions from a broad representation of the community and our networks, and bring these opinions to the tables to inform the work. The Community Leaders Table believes that key to success is the approach of Citizens supporting Citizens and will lead the work in building a Community Connectors Network and make visible our rich community assets.

### Alignment

The Community Leaders Table will ensure we stay committed to achieving our outcomes with children, youth and families. We work to magnify our efforts into the community and throughout organisations so that many people are working to improve outcomes for children, youth and families. As a member of the CLT we will model strong leadership through openness, generosity and optimism.

### Shared measurement

The Community Leaders Table ensures that the key measures demonstrate that we are successfully working towards and achieving against our desired community outcomes, or not. Progress of the strategies is monitored against the indicators to ensure we are on track with the work.

### Barriers and obstacles

The Community Leaders Table will identify and address barriers and obstacles to our work, including fulfilling the role of sounding board for Enabling Teams and Working Groups. This may mean informing and/or advocating for changes to policy, paving the way for local agreements, and creating an environment for respectful problem solving. Difficult issues are surfaced, discussed and addressed.

### Inform Policy

The Community Leaders Table will utilise the collective to inform and influence policy development with local organisations and government. HUM strategies form part of NMCP response to Mildura Community Health and Wellbeing Plan.

### Continuous Communication

The Community Leaders Table will communicate openly and reflects a diversity of communication styles. Shared measures will be a vital tool in the communication with each other, as well as the Action Groups and Enabling Teams. The table will also inform how we are engaging with the community and others who resource or influence the community.

### Magnifying successes

The Community Leaders Table will promote key milestones and successes progressively throughout the work, to create and maintain energy and commitment to our vision of **a connected community where families matter and children thrive.**