



Embrace Community Group Guidelines

These guidelines describe the purpose of the Embrace Community Group, its membership and the opportunities for participation and involvement that members will receive from The Kids Research Institute Australia Embrace team.

Purpose

The Embrace Community Group has been established to act as Embrace's main point of contact with the community. You should consider joining if you are interested in the work of Embrace, would like to receive opportunities to take part in and shape mental health research across The Kids Research Institute Australia, and would like to receive invitations to attend Embrace-associated events.

The purpose of the group aligns with *Embrace 2022: Our Research Strategy*¹ and the intention of Embrace to work with communities to improve mental health outcomes within WA.

Membership

Embrace Community Group membership is open to anyone who is interested in the work of Embrace. For example, learning more about the mental health research conducted at The Kids, participating in mental health research, and working with researchers to shape decisions about research priorities, policy and practice.

Individuals can express interest in joining the community group by completing an online form available from the [Embrace website](#). You will then be sent confirmation that they have joined the Group and will then receive ongoing communications from the Embrace team (embrace@thekids.org.au).

Group members can opt out of membership at any time by contacting the Embrace team or unsubscribing to one of our e-newsletters.

Opportunities

The Embrace team aims to provide the following to the Embrace Community Group:

- One e-newsletter approximately every two months from the Embrace team, featuring research updates, researcher profiles and a summary of opportunities to get involved in the work of Embrace and infant, child and youth mental health research
 - This includes opportunities to take part in research, to be part of grant review panels, to attend events and to help shape Embrace's work
- The opportunity to become part of the wider The Kids CONNECT network, which rewards and supports people for the contributions they make to The Kids.

¹ The Kids Research Institute Embrace (2022) *Embrace 2022: Our Research Strategy*. Available from: <https://embrace.thekids.org.au/about-embrace/>