

# Child Awareness at Wanslea

Creating and growing child  
awareness through a  
child-centered, Family  
Inclusive Approach

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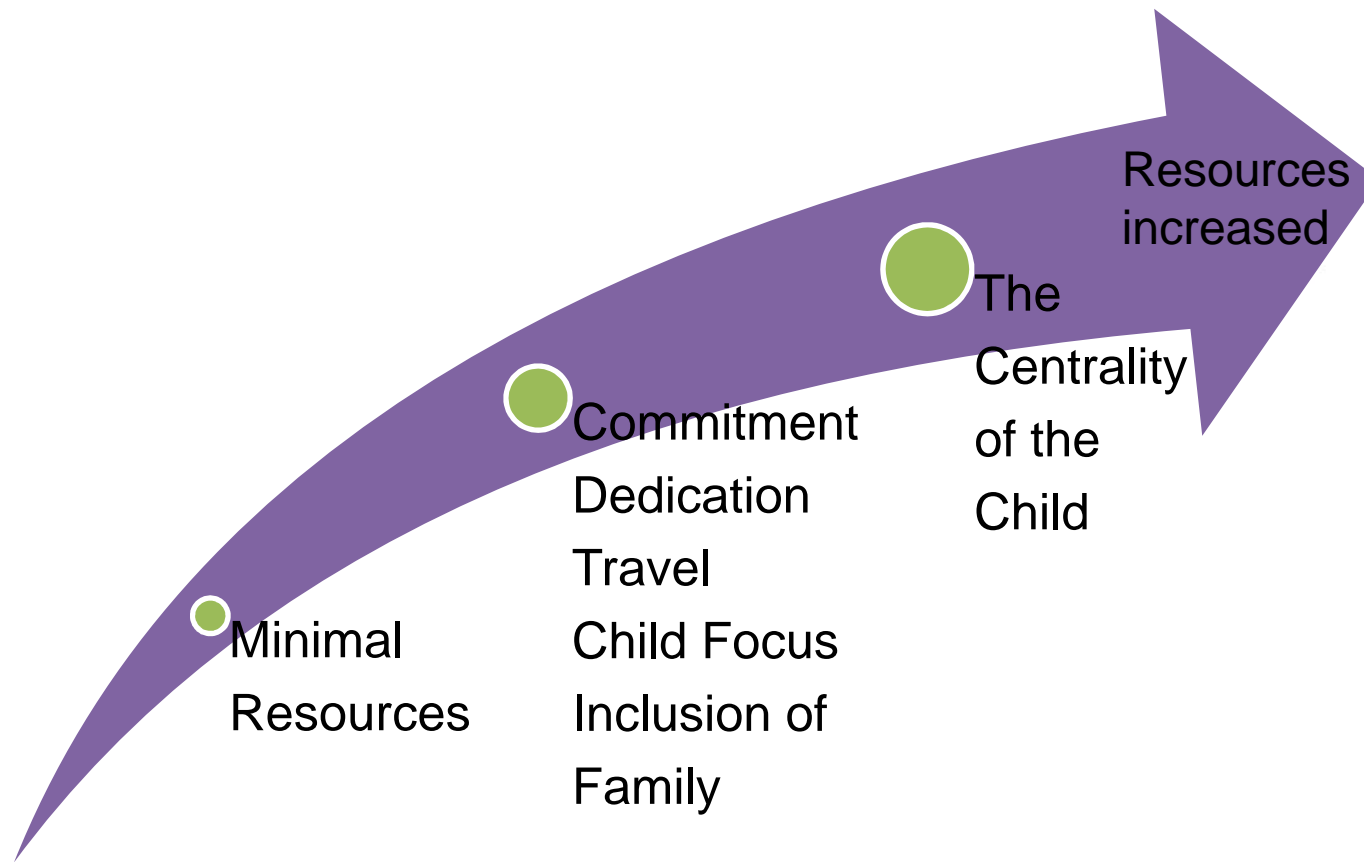
# ICCOPMI



How one child's story influenced  
the way we work



# The Evolution of a Program



Minimal  
Resources

Commitment  
Dedication  
Travel  
Child Focus  
Inclusion of  
Family

The  
Centrality  
of the  
Child

Resources  
increased

From The Beginning

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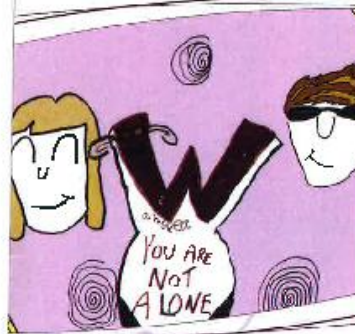


HOPE!

Interagency Collaboration  
for Children Of Parents  
with a Mental Illness

2002

Children of Parents with  
Mental Illness (COPMI)  
Wanslea - 2002



Produced by COPMI in 2002  
© Children of Parents with Mental Illness

Designed, Written and  
Produced By  
These Young People

To Child and Youth  
Ownership

<p><b>What is COPMI?</b></p> <p>COPMI is a national network of young people who have experienced the impact of a parent with a mental illness. We are a national network of young people who have experienced the impact of a parent with a mental illness. We are a national network of young people who have experienced the impact of a parent with a mental illness.</p>	<p><b>What do we offer?</b></p> <p>COPMI offers a safe space for young people to share their experiences and to support each other. We offer a safe space for young people to share their experiences and to support each other. We offer a safe space for young people to share their experiences and to support each other.</p>
	<p><b>How long is the program?</b></p> <p>You can be involved with the program for as long as you want. We offer a safe space for young people to share their experiences and to support each other. We offer a safe space for young people to share their experiences and to support each other.</p>



## More than just the Child



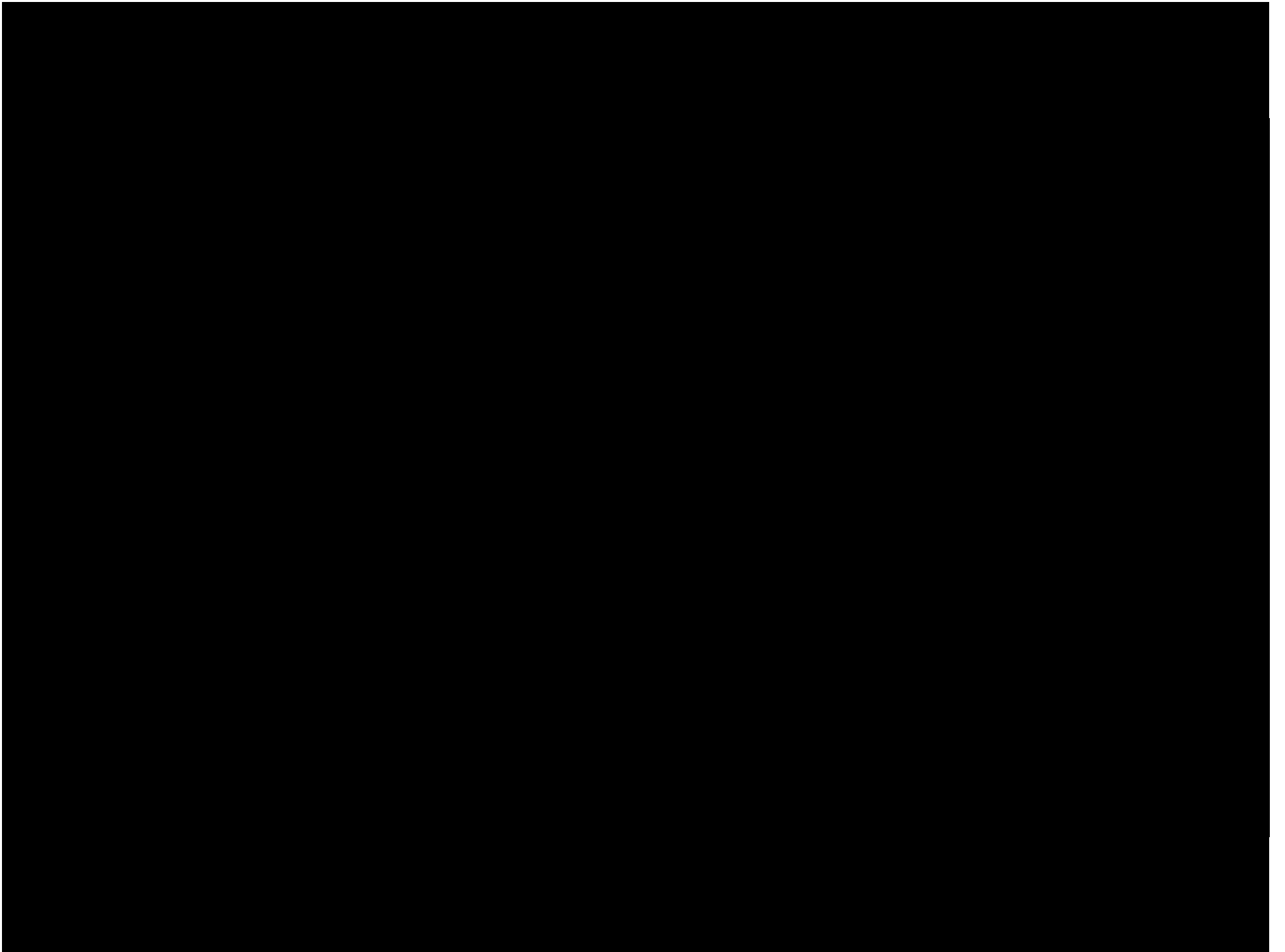
- ❖ 'Baby and Me'
- ❖ Lets get together - in groups  
- in holiday time
- ❖ Talk with me ..... Play with me  
Most of all Listen to me
- ❖ A Focus on Family and Young people



# Listen to Me



WHEN MUM OR DAD  
ARE NOT  
QUITE THEMSELVES

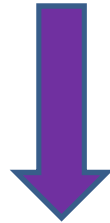




**It wasn't meant to be easy**



Maintaining a Child-Centred Approach



Dilemmas, Struggles and Glitches





# Where to from Here?



- ❖ Integrating the old and the new
- ❖ Asking the Children



Direction and Products?

# ARE WE THERE YET?



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