



FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE  
CARER SUPPORT, DISABILITY, AND AGED CARE  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HOMELESSNESS  
EDUCATION, TRAINING, HEALTH AND WELLBEING

**Kindred Spirits**  
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Centacare has an ongoing commitment to building  
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**Statement regarding the traditional owners of the land**  
For thousands of years Aboriginal people have walked  
on this land, in their country. Their relationship with the  
land is at the centre of their lives. We acknowledge the  
Aboriginal people and their stewardship and spiritual  
connection with their lands.



Centacare is nationally accredited  
against the Quality Improvement  
Council (QIC), Australian Health and  
Community Services Standards.



# KINDRED SPIRITS PROGRAM

## Supporting Nunga Families



## WHAT WE DO

The Kindred Spirits Program is a short-term, flexible service that provides assistance to Nunga families.

Our Aboriginal Engagement Officer provides 12-week family focused in-home support for students who are disengaging in school.

Our staff walk alongside families to recognise issues they may be facing, identify their strengths, and establish workable and realistic goals to help the family unit function better.

The type and amount of support is tailored to each family, based on the specific needs of the parents/caregivers and the educational needs of the children.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Aboriginal children and families who live within the Playford and Salisbury Council area, who require assistance to reengage or increase school attendance.
- Children and families who have an increased risk of disengagement, isolation, abuse and neglect.

## SUPPORT TYPE

Centacare Kindred Spirits staff work with families in the spirit of collaboration to provide a supportive and accessible service that listens, and respects culture.

Assistance can be provided in the following ways:

- Goal based program intended to increase school attendance
- Intensive in-home support to prevent crisis and abuse
- Observation and assessment on environment and lifestyle/routines
- Increase overall skills and knowledge within the family unit
- Education and support for parents/caregivers
- Improve nutrition for children
- Opportunity pathways for training and employment
- Referral pathways to assist with ongoing support following the Kindred Spirits Program's intervention.

## REFERRAL PATHWAYS

### Direct referrals

Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm  
(08) 8412 9570

Alternatively, referrals can be made via the Department for Education within the identified council areas, or via the Department for Child Protection.