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Our People to Live Stronger and Longer.

The National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-2032 has been released.

The National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-2032 (National Plan) has launched on Monday, 17 October 2022.

The National Plan is the policy framework that will guide all parts of society, including governments, businesses and workplaces, media, schools and educational institutions, the family, domestic and sexual violence sector, communities and all individuals and the actions towards ending violence against women and children over the next 10 years.

Robert Skeen, AH&MRC Chief Executive Officer, and Co-Deputy Chair of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Council on family, domestic and sexual violence states "This is amongst some of the initiatives that are being implemented as we start to prioritise key issues throughout the community by implementing steps starting from prevention to healing".

The National Plan sets out actions across four domains:

- 1. **Prevention** working to change the underlying social drivers of violence by addressing the attitudes and systems that drive violence against women and children to stop it before it starts.
- 2. **Early intervention** identifying and supporting individuals who are at high risk of experiencing or perpetrating violence and prevent it from reoccurring.
- Response providing services and supports to address existing violence and support victim-survivors experiencing violence, such as crisis support and police intervention, and a trauma-informed justice system that will hold people who use violence to account.
- 4. **Recovery and healing** helping to reduce the risk of re-traumatisation, and supporting victim-survivors to be safe and healthy to be able to recover from trauma and the physical, mental, emotional, and economic impacts of violence.

The full plan can be found here: <u>National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children</u> <u>2022–2032</u>.

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an adequately resourced and skilled workforce to provide high-quality health care services for Aboriginal communities.