#### **Next steps**

To make an enquiry or to see if your baby is eligible, simply scan the QR code.



Alternatively, contact:

Phone: (08) 6319 1155

Email: inklings@thekids.org.au

Website: inklings.org.au

Regular health and development checks are recommended for children from birth to age five.

If you would like your child to have a check-up, contact your local Child and Family Health Service:

Website: cafhs.sa.gov.au

Phone: 1300 733 606







A program to support babies showing early social and communication differences in South Australia





## **About the Inklings Program**

Inklings is a program supporting families and caregivers with babies 6 to 18 months who show differences or a delay in their interaction and communication.

The Inklings Program can help families and caregivers to feel more confident in understanding and responding to their baby.

The program uses short videos of caregivers and their baby in everyday situations. The videos can help caregivers see new ways of communicating with their baby.

The program is delivered by trained practitioners and is backed by years of research in baby communication and development. Inklings is a 10-session program delivered fortnightly.

# **Inklings Program in SA**

Inklings can be delivered in a variety of locations including telehealth, and may depend on the location of your practitioner.

The program is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services and South Australian Government.

### Who is Inklings for?

Your baby may benefit from Inklings if:

- Your baby is aged between 6 and 18 months old
- Your health practitioner has discussed with you their observations about your baby's social or communication development
- You or someone close to your baby is wondering about their social interaction and communication development
- Your baby shows some differences in communication, for example, do they:
  - Smile back at you?
  - Join in social games with you like peek-aboo? Or, use gestures like clapping and waving goodbye
  - Respond to their name?
  - Copy actions or point to show you things?

### **Key points**

- The Inklings Program uses short videos of you and your baby
- The practitioner will work with you, using the videos to develop your confidence in recognising and responding to your baby's communication style



There is no out-of-pocket expense for eligible families participating in Inklings in SA

