

Title: Inquiry-led policy reform in Australia: What do we know about implementing inquiry recommendations?

The Parenting Research Centre (PRC) was recently contracted by the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse to evaluate the extent of implementation of nearly 300 recommendations from 67 previous Australian inquiries and commissions. The Royal Commission is required to avoid duplication and to consider the adequacy of changes to laws, policies, systems and practices over time.

Although the PRC cannot yet comment on the research project specifically, this paper will:

- summarise insights from the literature about barriers and facilitators to inquiry-led reform in Australia
- draw on the literature on the determinants of public policy implementation, including implementation science
- present some methodologies used for assessing the extent of implementation of inquiry – led reform, including their limitations.