



**Early Childhood
Australia**
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ECA SA Professional Conversation

*An evening with Ms. Helen Connolly
South Australia's first Commissioner
For
Children & Young People*

Monday 31 July 2017 6:00 – 8:00pm

Education Development Centre, 4 Milner St, Hindmarsh

ECA SA invites branch members and colleagues to engage in a facilitated professional discussion with Ms Helen Connolly, South Australia's first Commissioner for Children & Young People. The role of Commissioner is to:

- Promote and monitor the overall wellbeing of the children of South Australia.
- Promote and advocate for the rights and interests of all children and young people
- Promote participation by children and young people in the making of decisions that affect their lives.
- Establish and conduct inquiries into matters related to the rights, development and wellbeing of children and young people at a systemic level.
- Advise and make recommendations to Ministers, state authorities and other bodies on matters related to the rights, development and wellbeing of children and young people to relevant legislation, policies, practices and services.

Ms. Connolly has worked as Executive Director of Australian Red Cross in South Australia and recently concluded the role of Chair of the South Australian Council of Social Services Inc. (SACOSS). She is a long-time advocate for building respectful partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, communities and organisations and has established networks and relationships through her position as a Board Member for Reconciliation SA.

Places are strictly limited. **Please RSVP to ecasa@earlychildhood.org.au.**

This meeting is free for ECA Members. Please bring your ECA Member Number with you. (ECA Service Members are entitled to send 2 staff and ECA Organisation Members are entitled to send 5 staff).

Non members \$20 per person. Payable on the evening. *(Cash or cheque only)*

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