

Preschool Reform Agreement Outcomes Measure Participation 2026 and 2027 – Implementation Plan Addendum

1. This template has been developed for the purposes of clause 10.9b of the Preschool Reform Agreement 2022-2027 (PRA) *Appendix A.4 Preschool Outcomes Measure 2026-2027* (Appendix A.4), corresponding with **Tables 4 and 5** in the PRA Implementation Plan template.
2. **Table 4** agrees:
 - a. Commonwealth project funding made available for 2026 to support participation in the Preschool Outcomes Measure in accordance with section 10 of Appendix A.4;
 - b. the ways in which States intend to spend this Commonwealth funding in 2026.
3. When completing Table 4, States are requested to also outline State contributions, where relevant, including in-kind contributions.
4. Commonwealth project funding for 2026 will be provided on the basis of the information provided in Table 4, where Table 4 is included or appended to an Implementation Plan.
5. The template should also be used to agree, in 2026, Commonwealth funding made available for 2027, and the ways in which States intend to spend that funding in 2027.
6. The Commonwealth will provide Victoria with \$500,000 for the Preschool Outcomes Measure: Project Support, as detailed in Table 4, bringing the 2026 Commonwealth financial contribution to \$131,756,814.

Table 4: 2026 Overview of Preschool Outcomes Measure Project Support for State of Victoria - Statement of Allocations for 2026

Activities (details)	Commonwealth funding	State contribution	Actions (incl. deliverables)	KPI	Timing (incl. delivery schedule)
Actioning recommendation 11 of the Nous Group – Evaluation of the development and trial of the national Preschool Outcomes Measure (POM)	\$500,000 across all agreed actions (to be expended across 2026 and 2027)	In kind staff time contributions	Victoria will present to the Preschool Outcomes Measure Working Group on its learnings from the rollout and scaling of the Early Years Assessment and Learning Tool (EYALT). Victoria will consult with NATSIEC regarding Aboriginal English and cultural inclusion	Victorian presentation to the POM WG NATSIEC consulted	From September 2026. Dates to be agreed with POM WG Secretariat. Timing to be agreed with NATSIEC
Support South Australia’s implementation of the Early Years Assessment and Learning Tool (EYALT) and share national learnings		In kind staff time contributions	Victoria will, as appropriate and required, support South Australia’s implementation of the EYALT, and share key learnings with the POM Working Group (WG).	As required and requested, Victoria provides support to South Australia in piloting EYALT under the POM, and shares learnings with the POM WG.	Ongoing

Table 4: 2027 Overview of Preschool Outcomes Measure Project Support for State of Victoria - Statement of Allocations for 2027

Activities (details)	Commonwealth funding	State contribution	Actions (incl. deliverables)	KPI	Timing (incl. delivery schedule)
Supporting actioning recommendation of the Nous Group – Evaluation of the development and trial of the national POM	As per above table	In kind staff time contributions	Victoria will provide the POM WG with practical insights about practitioners embedding formative assessment into practice using the EYALT in Victoria. Victoria will provide information to be included as an attachment to the National Evaluation Report.	Victorian presentation to the POM WG Information provided to the evaluator for attachment	Date to be agreed with POM WG Secretariat in 2027 as appropriate According to evaluation schedule

7. **Table 5** agrees the State’s planned actions in relation to the Preschool Outcomes Measure for the period 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026.


Table 5: Planned Actions for the period 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2026 for the State of Victoria

Reform Element Three: Implement a new national preschool outcomes measure		
Participate in activities that continue to support outcomes measurement	Victoria will continue to implement the aligned EYALT tool, including a one-off funding contribution for each service that opts to use the EYALT, and a package of professional development tools for services to encourage and support use of the EYALT. Victoria will continue to participate in the Preschool Outcomes Measure Working Group. Victoria will participate, as appropriate, as a jurisdiction using an Aligned Tool, in the Evaluation of the POM.	Ongoing throughout 2026

Sign off

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Addendum as follows:

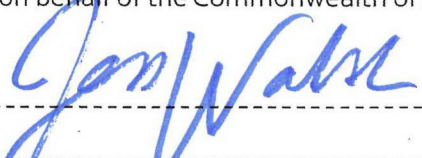
Signed for and on behalf of the State of Victoria by


11.6.26

Signature Date

Lizzie Blandthorn
Minister for Children and Minister for Disability

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by


22/6/26

Signature Date

Senator The Honourable Dr Jess Walsh MP
Minister for Early Childhood Education