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Opportunity Child Ramps Up Capabilities In Early Childhood Collaboration

Opportunity Child has announced **four significant appointments** to drive its Collective Impact agenda in early childhood development.

Tara Kleine - Director, Capability and Development (starts 3rd September).

Tara was previously Principal Advisor for Leadership and Organisational Capability at Rio Tinto. She brings executive-level experience across corporate, government, community and NFP and is skilled in leading large networks and influencing for strategic and programmatic benefit. A major focus of her role will be designing and implementing a structured peer support network for communities focused on place-based work in Australia.



Director of Strategy and Operations (starts late 2018). This person will have oversight of Opportunity Child’s strategy and operational execution, as well as providing strategic input into the policy and service landscape. They have experience running a large national foundation and overseeing place-based initiatives, as well as strategic finance, capital raising, strategic operations, marketing and communications.

Sharon Fraser - Social Change Advisor (in place). Sharon has held previous roles in health community health and local government, leading and supporting transformational change within services and community. At Opportunity Child, Sharon be focused on keeping community and systems change thinking embedded across all work, and providing strategic input about community engagement.



Janine Hoffman - Communications Manager (in place). Previously General Manager of the Centre for Social Impact (CSI), Janine supported the incubation of Collaboration for Impact (formerly the Collective Impact Community of Practice) and is an alumni of the Graduate Certificate in Social Impact (UNSW). Janine transitioned to the social sector after 15 years providing strategic communication consultancy to clients including Starbucks, Johnson & Johnson and Tourism Australia.



CEO Dr Dianne Jackson said “The calibre of these appointments represents a new chapter for Opportunity Child and will help us towards our goal of reducing the number of children who start school at a disadvantage. There’s a real excitement in the team to start working together.”

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About Opportunity Child

Opportunity Child's vision is to ensure that the 1 in 5 young Australian children affected by disadvantage thrive in learning and life. It works with local communities to build capabilities needed for collective impact success and uses learnings from these communities to help shape the national systems that affect childhood development.

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