

# Department of Families, Youth and Community Care, State Government of Queensland

26 February 1996 - 22 February 2001

## Details

The Department of Families, Youth and Community Care was previously known as the Department of Family and Community Services. The department's responsibilities included a range of services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, neglected or abused children, juveniles in conflict with the law, people with disabilities, older people, the homeless, disadvantaged, and families in crisis. The Department ran the Therapeutic Adolescent Residential Assessment Unit, The Outlook Training and Resource Centre, the John Oxley Youth Detention Centre and the

Cleveland Youth Detention Centre. On 17 February 2001, the Department's title was changed to the Department of Families.

[Taken from the Queensland State Archives website:]

ESTABLISHMENT:

This agency was previously known – from 25 Jan 1996 to 26 Feb 1996 – as the Family and Community Services Department, which superseded the Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs Department. The title was changed to Families, Youth and Community Care Department on 26 Feb 1996 after the general state elections, when the Department underwent structural changes.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE:

The department's services were highly decentralised to effectively meet needs at a local level. It consisted of the Director-General, the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs, Youth Bureau, Division of Disability Services, Division of Community Services Development, Division of Protective Services and Juvenile Justice; also the Office of the Director General, Information Services and Finance and Organisational Services.

The regional structure was built around services to clients and aimed to allow the greatest possible flexibility so that services could be responsive to local needs. The five regions were Brisbane North, Brisbane South, South West Queensland, Central Queensland and North Queensland.

## More info

### Chronology

- Children's Services Department, State Government of Queensland (1 August 1966 6 June 1987)
  - Family and Youth Services Department, State Government of Queensland (9 June 1987 14 December 1987)
    - Family Services Department, State Government of Queensland (14 December 1987 7 December 1989)

- Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs Department, State Government of Queensland (7 December 1989 25 January 1996)
  - Department of Family and Community Services, State Government of Queensland (25 January 1996 -26 February 1996)
- Department of Families, Youth and Community Care, State Government of Queensland (26 February 1996 22 February 2001)
  - Department of Families, State Government of Queensland (17 February 2001 12 February 2004)
    - Communities Department, State Government of Queensland (12 February 2004 3 April 2012)
      - Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services Department, State Government of Queensland (3 April 2012 12 December 2017)
        - Department of Child Safety, Youth and Women, State Government of Queensland (12 December 2017 12 November 2020)
          - Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs, State Government of Queensland (2020 2023)

### **Related Entries**

#### Ran

- Therapeutic Adolescent Residential Assessment Unit (1995 2001)
- Cleveland Youth Detention Centre (1980 current)
- John Oxley Youth Detention Centre (1987 2001)
- Sir Leslie Wilson Youth Detention Centre (1993 2001)
  Date: 1993 2001

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