

I, Joanne Melissa Matthewson, of \_\_\_\_\_ in  
the State of Western Australia, am the promoter of this petition which contains 3750 signatures.

**Wait times and access to allied health services from 0-8 age range in WA**

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled. We the undersigned ...

residents of Western Australia respectfully request the Legislative Council to support the establishment of a parliamentary committee into the adequacy of child development services and related programs delivered in Western Australia.

Timely access to early learning programs and child development services are pivotal to a child's overall wellbeing and development. The wait lists to access paediatricians, clinical psychologists, allied health specialists and other therapeutic services in the public health system are, however, too long and are causing significant challenges for children and their families living in metropolitan, regional and remote locations.

We believe an inquiry is necessary to examine these services and other early years initiatives provided to support children and their families, including identifying any opportunities for improved collaboration and integration of services in both the government and non-government sectors. This includes consideration of providing allied health services directly in to government schools.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray

I certify that this petition conforms with  
the Standing Orders of the Legislative Council

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL