### WHY WAIT?

# PARTICIPATE!



**EVERY CHILD AND YOUNG PERSON IN CARE** 

HAS THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR LIFE!

## HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE IN MY PLANS?

- Attend meetings and have a say
- Talk to your caseworker and carer about what you want
- Write a letter to be read in the meeting if you're not attending
- Talk to your caseworker about the things YOU want on your plan. Remember that your plan is about YOUR life!

You have a right to participate in planning case plans, transition plans, cultural plans, education plans

#### **WAYS TO**

### **PARTICIPATE**



- 2. DECIDING TOGETHER: being involved in decision making
- 3. ACTING TOGETHER: sharing power and responsibility for decision-making
- 4. SUPPORTED: being supported to make independent decisions



NOT HAPPY AND WANT TO

#### IDEAS TO IMPROVE

#### THE SYSTEM?

Have a say about what's working and what's not working in child protection. Get involved in CREATE'S Youth Advisory Groups, consultations, surveys and focus groups or contact the Commissioner/Child Advocate in your state/territory

#### **COMPLAIN?**

You are always allowed
to voice your opinion!
If something is bothering you, you
can talk to your caseworker, carer
or call CREATE on 1800 655 105

#### **PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT!**

Get involved in shaping your life to be what you want it to be

To find out more head to www.create.org.au or find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/CREATEFnd

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