



PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA  
Family and Community Development Committee

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **Mildura hearing on care of mothers and babies**

Regional hearings on the inquiry into perinatal services continue next week when the Family and Community Development Committee conducts a public hearing and community forum in Mildura on Thursday 9 November.

The public hearing and community forum will be held from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm in the Benetook Room, Alfred Deakin Centre, 190 Deakin Avenue, Mildura.

The Committee will hear from health care professionals, local government representatives, and community health services, including the local Aboriginal health service.

At 3:00 pm members of the community will get the opportunity to share their views and ideas with the Committee during a community forum.

As part of its inquiry the Committee is considering the adequacy of services for dealing with high risk and premature births. It is also examining access to and provision of an appropriately qualified workforce, as well as the disparity in outcomes between rural, regional and metropolitan locations.

The inquiry also has a particular focus on the provision of perinatal services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in the regions.

The Mildura hearing schedule and more details on the inquiry are available from the Committee's [website](#).

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