What ADHD can look like

- Impacts executive functions such as future planning, organisation and inhibitive responses to distractions when pursuing goals
- Impacts on top-down regulation
- Behavioural regulation
- Emotional regulation
- Disinhibited aggressive impulses- can lead to conduct disorder symptoms
- Challenges with bottom-up processing of attention

- Need immediate and frequent rewards and there will be a slower extinction of behaviour
- Dopamine transfer deficit can lead to lack of close attention and careless mistakes because behaviour is not being constantly driven by continuous reinforcement of anticipation of dopamine release.
- Greater emphasis on immediate reward
- Poorer performance under partial or discontinuous reward schedules
- Impaired reinforcement learning and acquisition of behaviour

- Impaired integration of earlier reinforcers
- Impaired ability to change behaviour in response to changes in reinforcement contingencies
- Impaired response to conditioned rather than actual reinforcement
- Problems with adding new contingency information in the working memory
- Less behavioural inhibition
- Slower rate of extinction



CULTURE IS INCLUSION

A narrative of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability

Scott Avery

Executive Summary of research findings

- 1. Disability in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities is twice as prevalent, more complex in terms of co-occurring disabilities, and compressed within a shorter life expectancy compared to other Australians.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability experience unique form
 of 'intersectional discrimination' and social inequality that is an interaction of
 discrimination that is both Aboriginal and Torres Straits Islander and disability
 related.
- 3. Frequent exposures to various forms of discrimination can have cumulative impact and can manifest into 'apprehended discrimination'. This is a pathway in which a fear of discrimination transforms into a rational expectation of discrimination, and it can lead to a person avoiding social situations where they could be exposed to possible discrimination.
- 4. The statistical data and testimony of participants show that intersectional inequality is acute and pervasive across all supports for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability; including disability services, health, education, employment housing and transport.
- 5. The impact of intersectional inequality as a detrimental impact upon the social health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability.
- 6. The sole category that is an exception to the inequalities experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disability is their social participation within their own communities. Rates of participation by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in cultural and community activities are on par with other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- 7. A culture of inclusion is a moderating force on the social health and wellbeing and has a mitigating impact on intersectional inequality.





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Engagement observation record

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This tool is used to collect data on the level of engagement in learning of children and young people through a short observation. Tracking levels of engagement is a useful tool to monitor the effectiveness of strategies.

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Health Support Planning ENGAGEMENT OBSERVATION RECORD

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Minimum of 15 minutes observation at intervals of:							
☐ 10 seconds ☐ 15 seconds ☐ 30 seconds							

Tick relevant column (Minimum of 15 minutes observation)

(in 20 min there would be 80 observations with 15 second intervals; in 30 min with 30 second intervals there would be 60 observations)

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Foreword

This booklet has been developed as a supporting resource for *Ready to Learn Kit, Interoception: 301* and *Interoception, Parent and Caregiver Booklet,* Department for Education, South Australia.

This booklet supports the implementation of interoception activities with children who are non-verbal, have limited functional communication or respond best with visual instructions.

This is a guide to how you can complete activities with your child throughout your day. It outlines ways in which you can incorporate children's individual communication needs and the interoception language into activities you are already doing.

By encouraging our children to communicate and to connect to themselves during everyday activities, we help our children to identify their body signals, recognise when their body signals change, communicate what they are feeling and act or respond in a socially acceptable way to these body signals.

We hope you find this booklet useful to help your children deal with big emotions.



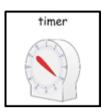


Finger Stretch

Sitting down, rest your hands in your lap, stretch your fingers as wide apart as you can and hold them for 30 seconds.









Now rest them back again.

Where did you feel it when your hands were stretched?











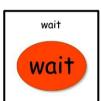


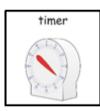




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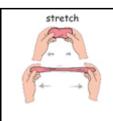
Rest them back again

Did you feel it between your finger and thumb?





What did you feel?















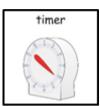
Toe Touch

In a seated position on the floor, sit up straight and stretch your legs out. Reach your arms out straight and try to touch your toes. Hold this for 30 seconds.

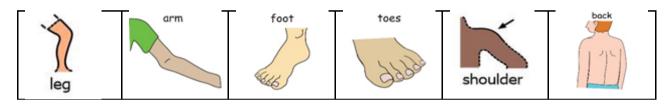








Where did you feel it?

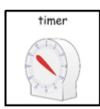


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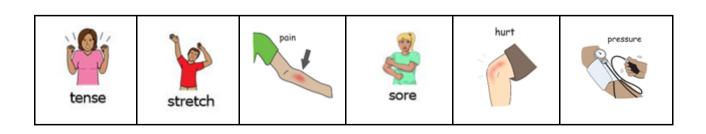








What did you feel?







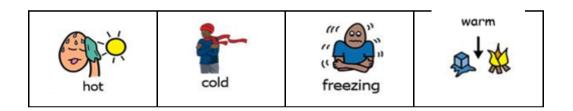
Paperclip

Place some paperclips in the freezer prior to this activity.

Give your child a paperclip from the box.

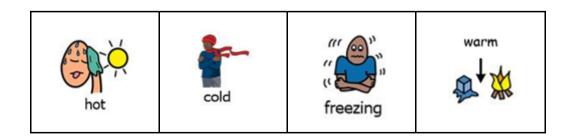


What do you feel?



We are going to repeat the activity again, but this time you are going to give your child a paperclip from the freezer.

What do you feel?







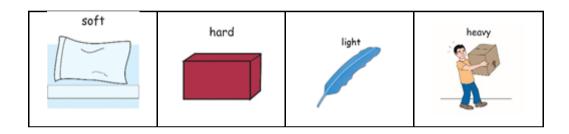
Firm versus Light Touch

Sitting down, rest your hands on your lap. Rest 2 fingers on the top of your leg.



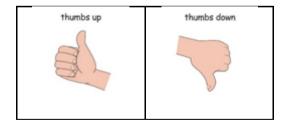


What do you feel?

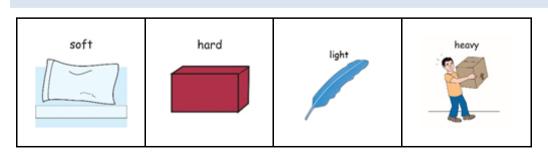


We are going to repeat the activity again, but this time we are going to push our 2 fingers into our leg.

Are the feelings in your leg/fingers different?



What do you feel now?







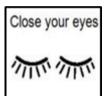
Interoception

Incidental learning

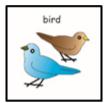
Music/Sounds

Notice the sounds in the environment around you. Bring your child's attention to something you can hear, following the example below:

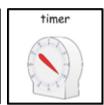
Close your eyes and listen to the sounds of the birds, listen for 30 seconds.











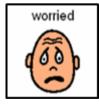
Can you hear the birds?





What can you feel inside your body?



















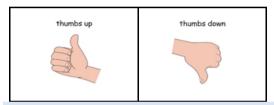


Baking

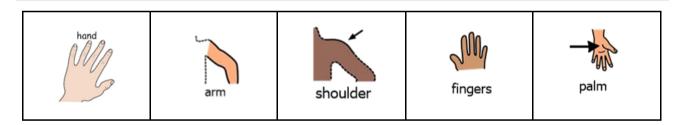
Bake a cake together. While your child is stirring the ingredients in the bowl, ask them to use their muscles and stir hard 5 times.



Did you feel it?



Where did you feel it in your body?

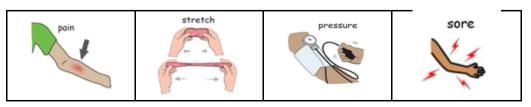


We are going to stir the ingredients again, but this time we are going to focus on what we notice about our arm muscles. Ask your child to use their muscles and stir hard 5 times.

Did you notice it in your arm muscles?



What did you feel in your arm muscles?







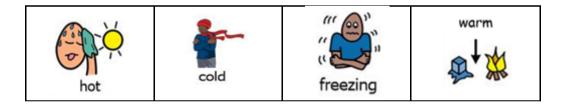
Temperature

These activities can be done on days when the outside temperature is different from the inside temperature.



On a cold day, stand still inside your house. Put your hands on your arms.

How does it feel?



Now go outside into the air. Close your eyes, stand still and notice the air on your skin. Is it hot, cold, warm or cool? Now put your hands on your arms and feel your skin.

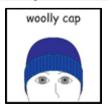
What do you feel?



What does this tell you about what you should wear?













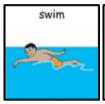




Swimming

This activity can be done when you are swimming

Ask your child to practise their swimming for 30 seconds.

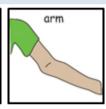




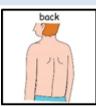
Where can you feel it when you swim?











We are going to repeat the activity again, but this time tell your child to focus on feeling it in their hands.



Did you feel it in your hands?









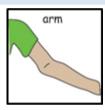
Throwing a Frisbee

Ask your child to play Frisbee with you. Throw and catch the frisbee for 30 seconds.



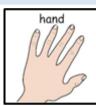


Where did you feel it when you were catching the frisbee?











We are going to repeat the activity again, but this time tell your child to focus on what they feel in their hand.



Did you feel it in your hand?





What did you feel?















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Appendix A - Interoception Activity



Where can you feel it?

Now focus on feeling it...



What did you notice?



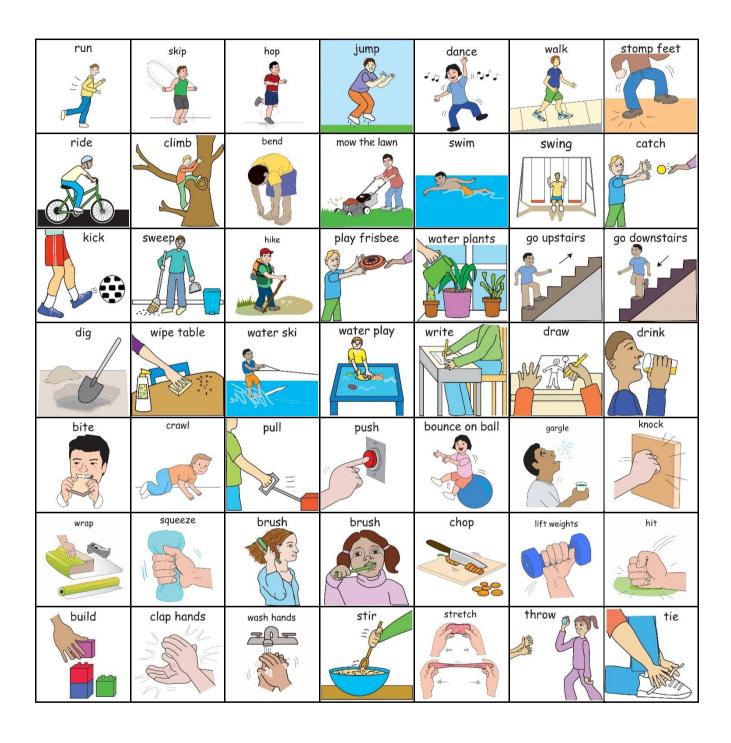


Ì	ppendix B – Interoception Activity Set up card									
	Where can you feel it?									
	What did you notice?									





Appendix C - Interoception Opportunities | Communication Pictures







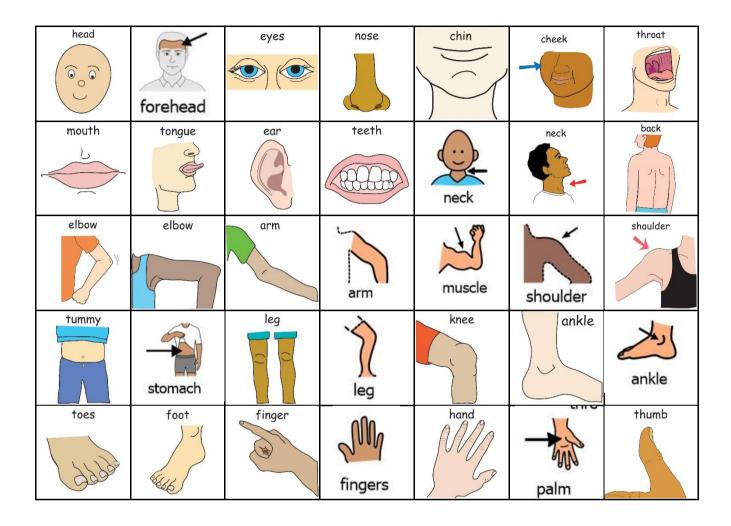
Appendix D – Interoception | Communication Pictures

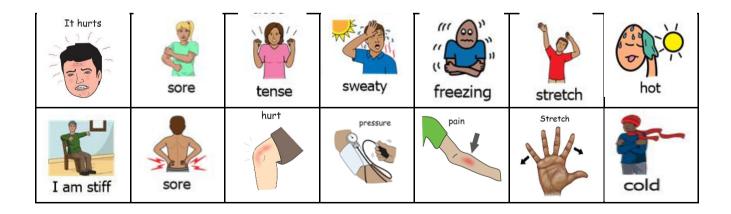
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twirl	move	relax muscles	tense	flap hands	listen	listen
open	close	thumbs down	thumbs up	okay	good	loose
heavy	loud	soft	light	Close your eyes	wiggle	wiggle fingers
twist	hot	warm	sunny Market	feel	hard	
t-shirt	shorts	track pants	jumper	baseball cap	woolly cap	
excited	anxious	sad	happy	tired	angry	bored
excited	worried	sad	happy	tired	angry	frustrated





Appendix E - Interoception Activities | Communication Pictures









Which **Zone** are they in?

Instructions: Choose a card from the pile and take a moment to examine the character's facial expression. Decide which zone you think they are in and place your card on top of the zone's color.













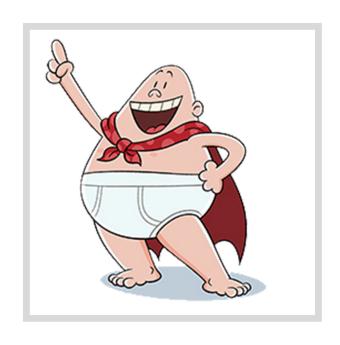
























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Audit-C

How often do you have a standard drink containing alcohol?

SCORE:

Most days each week .. Some days each week (3) Weekly (2) . Monthly (1).. Never (0)..

How many standard drinks containing alcohol do you have on a typical day when you are drinking?

more than 10 (4) .7-9 (3) 5 or 6 (2) .3 or 4 (1).. 1or 2 (0) ...

How often do you have six (6) or more standard drinks on one occassion?

Most days each week (4) Less than monthly (1)...Monthly (2)...Some days a week (3).... Never (0)..



TOTAL SCORE:

Add the number for each question to get your total score

8-12 points 4-7 points 1-3 points to you and your baby **The Health Risks** O points no risk to baby e Risk Medium Risk **Low Risk** High/Sever -12 points risk to baby 1-12

It's risky to drink grog or use drugs when pregnant or breastfeeding

- When you drink, so does your baby
- When you smoke your baby smokes too
- When you drink, alcohol goes
 - into your breast milk
- Alcohol and other drugs can harm or affect your baby
- Your child might grow up with trouble learning
- Drinking can cause FASD:
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder
- FASD is a disability for life



Baby's brain is developing fast inside you

- Alcohol, tobacco and drugs can stop it
- growing properly
- Damage to heart and bones
- Baby too small and weak
- Face wrong shape, looks different
- Slow to learn
- Big worries for baby's whole life

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- Slow to grow
- Troubled behaviour

Does this worry you about your drinking and your baby?



Family and friends

AOD Worker Who keeps us strong?



Who can help YOU to make the change



Do you or your family think

you have a worry?

YES NO

Do you think you use too much alcohol?

Are you worried about your alcohol use? Does your family worry about your

alcohol use?

Do you feel stressed out without alcohol?

Do you wish you could stop?

If you said YES to any of these,

you may have worries with alcohol

Baby learns and develops like other kids

Happy family

Community stays strong

Everybody healthier

Healthy baby that grows up strong

to change

Reasons

MENTAL and EMOTIONAL **PHYSICAL**

Your plan for making

change

Helping you

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/hat will they do to help?

Step 1:

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9 important thing

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Step 1:

What do you think could stop you from achieving your goals?

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see how your plan is going.

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