

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Passmore-Edwards, Mary-Ellen

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**Nationality** Australian

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**Occupation** Welfare worker

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### Summary

Mary-Ellen Passmore-Edwards is an Aboriginal child welfare worker who believes that 'if anything is going to change for Aboriginal society, it has got to happen with the children. She advocates alternative methods of treatment and healing of sexually abused indigenous children. She has also worked with abused women in Queensland and with Yorganop, the Aboriginal child care agency in Perth.

Passmore-Edwards was Treasurer of the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care, and represented this body at an international indigenous forum in 1995.

### Published resources

#### Book

The Black Grapevine: Aboriginal Activism and the Stolen Generations, Briskman, Linda, 2003

#### Journal Article

New Direction in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Education, Shannon, Cindy, Peter Hill and Mary-Ellen Passmore-Edwards, 1993

#### Resource

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