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## OzChild endowment fund appoints Equity Trustees as investment manager

One of Australia's oldest not-for-profit child welfare organisations, which supports children and families throughout the country, has awarded a mandate to manage half of its investment portfolio to Equity Trustees.

OzChild is committed to improving the lives of at-risk children, young people (including those in foster care) and families and has been operating for nearly 170 years.

Commenting on the partnership, Equity Trustees Head of <u>Asset Management</u> Darren Thompson said: "Equity Trustees is delighted to have been appointed to support OzChild in its goal of seeing that all children and young people are safe, respected, nurtured and reach their full potential.

"The mandate appointment demonstrates that our work in the philanthropy sector, combined with our asset management services, is a compelling offer to for-purpose partners looking for a values-aligned partner with strong governance, investment management track record and value-added offerings."

OzChild Chief Executive Officer Dr Lisa J Griffiths said Equity Trustees was selected due to its expertise and depth of experience in working with the not-for-profit sector.

"As a for-purpose organisation, a key factor in our selection process was the value-added services Equity Trustees offers in combination with its investment services," Dr Griffiths said.

Equity Trustees aims to deliver performance for clients through a combination of in-house Australian equities and fixed income capabilities, combined with the best external domestic and international funds.

It currently provides investment management services on behalf of over 650 philanthropic trusts and for-purpose clients, with total charitable funds under management of \$2.5 billion. In addition, it offers trustee services for many well-known charitable foundations, including secretariat, granting strategy development, governance and investment management.

<u>OzChild</u> provides quality services that make a real and lasting difference to Australian children and families. Its work includes foster and kinship care support and the delivery of evidence-based programs to strengthen and repair relationships and build a brighter future for young Australians.

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