

Impacts on us



This sequence is intended as a framework to be modified and adapted by teachers to suit the needs of a class group.

Resources needed

- Health for us Group investigation
- Check it out Group investigation
- Spread the word Visualiser

Suggested activity sequence

Part A: Health for us

- 1 Introduce the idea that the Australian Government uses tax to fund health, safety and wellbeing.
- 2 Use a *grouping strategy* to organise students into pairs.
- 3 Students work collaboratively to complete the Health for us investigation.
- 4 As a class, discuss:
 - how each initiative impacts on young people and the examples they have used to illustrate this
 - how services were prioritised and why.

Part B: Check it out

- Brainstorm health, safety and wellbeing programs funded by the Australian Government. Two specific examples include:
 - Drug help
 - Play our way.

Go to health.gov.au

- 2 Record ideas on the board.
- 3 Use a *grouping strategy* to organise students into small groups.
- 4 Students work collaboratively to complete the Check it out investigation.

Part C: Spread the word

1 Introduce the concept of interventions as they relate to health.

Interventions are a combination of programs or strategies designed to change behaviour to improve the health of individuals or a whole population. Interventions include education programs, advertising campaigns, policies, levies and taxes and environmental changes such as landscaping or renovations.

- 2 Use the *Visualiser* to provide students with the instructions for the activity.
- 3 Original pairs of students complete their advertisements and present them to the class.

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Australian Taxation Office