Acknowledgements

The editors are grateful to all those who contributed to this, the twelfth, issue of the *South African Child Gauge*:

- The authors, without whom this publication would not have been possible.
- The honourable Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation, Jeff Radebe, for his *Reflections* on children, the National Development Plan and Sustainable Development Goals.
- Benyam Mezmur, Chairperson of the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child, who wrote the *Foreword*.
- Sanjana Bhardwaj and Mayke Huijbregts, UNICEF South Africa; Ariane De Lannoy, Poverty and Inequality Initiative, University of Cape Town; David Harrison, DG Murray Trust; Mary Metcalfe, Programme to Improve Learning Outcomes; Linda Richter, DST-NRF Centre of Excellence in Human Development, University of the Witwatersrand; Mastoera Sadan, Programme to Support Pro-poor Policy Development, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation, for their guidance as members of the editorial advisory committee.
- Shirley Pendlebury for facilitating the writing retreat and the Research Office, University of Cape Town and the Programme for Pro-poor Policy Development for their financial support.
- The peer reviewers who so selflessly gave their time to comment on the essays and recommend improvements: Matodzi Amisi, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation; Arvin Bhana, Health Systems Research Unit, Medical Research Council; Debbie Budlender, independent research consultant; Andrew Dawes, Department of Psychology, University of Cape Town; Katharine Hall, Children's Institute, University of Cape Town; Michael Hendricks, Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, University of Cape Town; Elizabeth Henning, Centre for Education Practice Research, University of Johannesburg; Monde Makiwane, Human and Social Development Programme, Human Sciences Research Council; Benyam Mezmur, Dullah Omar Institute for Constitutional Law, University of the Western Cape; Gubela Mji, Centre for Rehabilitation Studies, Stellenbosch University;

Shirley Pendlebury, School of Education, University of Cape Town; Mastoera Sadan, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation; Haroon Saloojee, Community Paediatrics, University of the Witwatersrand; Joan van Niekerk, child rights and child protection consultant; Catherine Ward, Department of Psychology, University of Cape Town; Patricia Watson, Department of Basic Education; Inge Wessels, Department of Psychology, University of Cape Town.

- UNICEF South Africa; the Programme to Support Pro-poor Policy Development, Department of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation; the DST-NRF Centre of Excellence in Human Development, University of the Witwatersrand; DG Murray Trust; and The Standard Bank Tutuwa Community Foundation for supporting the production of the book, accompanying materials and public launch.
- The ELMA Foundation for their support to the Children's Institute as a key donor over the past years.
- Those individuals who contributed so generously their time and expertise at the roundtable and policy dialogue.
- Researchers and other staff from the Children's Institute who supported the editorial team in many ways.
- UNICEF South Africa and Eric Miller for the photographs and artwork used on the front cover and dividers.
- Mandy Lake-Digby for design and layout; Charmaine Smith for editorial assistance. Opinions expressed and conclusions arrived at are those of the authors and are not necessarily to be attributed to any of the donors, the Children's Institute or University of Cape Town.

Suggested citation

Jamieson L, Berry L & Lake L (eds) (2017) *South African Child Gauge 2017*. Cape Town: Children's Institute, University of Cape Town.

ISBN: 978-0-620-77759-9

© 2017 Children's Institute, University of Cape Town 46 Sawkins Road, Rondebosch, Cape Town, 7700, South Africa Tel: +27 21 650 1473 Fax: +27 21 650 1460

