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SHINE AMBASSADOR WINS TOP ACTOR AWARD

SHINE for Kids Ambassador, actor Danielle Cormack, last night won one of the nation's top acting awards.

Danielle, who plays the character Bea in the television series *Wentworth, won* 'Most Outstanding Performance By An Actor-Female' in the ASTRA Awards.

"We are delighted that Danielle has been given the recognition she deserves for her performance in *Wentworth,*" the Chief Executive Officer of SHINE for Kids, Gloria Larman, said today.

"As a performer and a mother, she brings great value to our attempts to raise awareness of the issues that kids face when a parent is sent to prison.

"We are working hard to enlist more high-profile people like Danielle in order to raise public awareness of the plight of these children," Ms Larman said.

Danielle Cormack will be officially welcomed as SHINE for Kids Ambassador at a lunch in Sydney today.

Event details: Friday 13 March, 12pm-2pm KPMG 15th floor, 10 Shelley Street Sydney 2000

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In NSW, **SHINE for Kids** centres are located at Silverwater, Parklea, Windsor, Kariong, Bathurst, Cessnock, Wellington, Junee and Kempsey. In Victoria, there is an office at Footscray and programs operating at Lara (Barwon) and Ravenhall. There is also a program operating in Canberra at the Alexander Maconochie facility.

More information on SHINE for Kids can be found at www.shineforkids.org.au

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