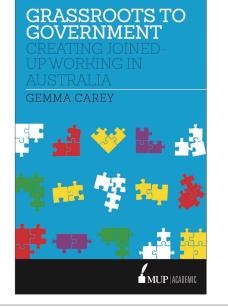
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## **GRASSROOTS TO GOVERNMENT Creating Joined-up Working in Australia** By Gemma Carey

Joined-up government has captured the imaginations of public administrators for many decades. It offers great promise for tackling the complex, or 'wicked', policy problems that concern the governments of industrialised countries. Despite ongoing interest, there remains an absence of core methods and principles to make joined-up government work in practice. Increasingly, public policy scholars are calling for 'evidence-based' joined-up government. However, this evidence is currently in its infancy.

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The book contains a chapter by **Robyn Keast** and a preface by **Brian Head**.

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