

CHILD SAFETY

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT










Our Commitment...

All children have the right to feel safe and to be safe and WE all have an obligation to do the best we can to keep children safe from harm and abuse.

Northern District Community Health is committed to creating and maintaining a child safe organisation where protecting children and preventing and responding to child abuse is embedded in the everyday thinking and practice of its workforce.

We are committed to:

-  Having a zero tolerance for child abuse
-  Actively working to listen to and empower all children
-  Having systems in place to protect children from abuse including having risk management strategies in place to identify, assess and take steps to minimise potential child safety risks and concerns
-  Recruitment practices to ensure that appropriately qualified and skilled people are employed to work with children
-  Providing training and education to ensure that everyone at NDCH understands their responsibilities
-  Taking all allegations and concerns very seriously and responding to all allegations of child abuse in line with the law and NDCH policy. This includes ensuring that we fulfil our legal and moral obligations to contact the appropriate authorities when we suspect abuse, neglect or mistreatment of a child.
-  Promoting the cultural safety of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children, the cultural safety of children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability and children who identify as LGBTIQA+.

Our commitment is further described and implemented through our NDCH Child Safety & Wellbeing Policy.

