



Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

North West Community Services (NWCS) is committed to the highest standards of safety, wellbeing, and empowerment for all children and young people.

We uphold our legal and ethical obligations under relevant child protection legislation and the Child Safe Standards, ensuring that child safety is embedded in every aspect of our governance, policy, and practice.

NWCS maintains a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse, neglect, and exploitation. We actively promote a culture where the rights of children and young people are respected and where their voices are heard and valued.

We are committed to:

- **Embedding child safety and wellbeing in organisational leadership, governance, and culture.**
- **Ensuring that all staff, contractors, and volunteers understand their responsibilities to protect children and young people from harm and act in accordance with the NWCS Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy and relevant legislation.**
- **Promoting inclusive, culturally safe, and equitable practices that respect and respond to the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, children with disability, and other vulnerable groups.**
- **Maintaining safe recruitment, supervision, and training processes that prioritise child safety and uphold professional standards.**
- **Implementing clear procedures for reporting, investigating, and responding to concerns or disclosures of child abuse or harm.**
- **Continuously reviewing and improving our policies and practices to align with the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations and evolving legislative requirements.**

NWCS recognises that protecting children and young people is a shared responsibility requiring vigilance, integrity, and ongoing commitment from all members of our organisation.

For more information on the Child Safe Standards visit www.ocg.nsw.gov.au



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