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Child Safe Standards Resources

PROTECT

Secretary's Message: The importance of Child Safe Standards

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Child Safe Standards Resources

To help schools comply with the Ministerial Order 870, and build their capacity around Child Safety the the following support materials have been developed:

Translations

[VRQA Resources](#)

Identifying and responding to all forms of abuse in Victorian schools

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Identifying and Responding to Student Sexual Offending

To create and maintain a child safe organisation, all Victorian schools must comply with Ministerial Order No.

Prevention of Child Sexual Exploitation and Grooming

870, in operation from 1 August 2016. See: [Ministerial Order 870](#) :

Schools Online Learning

For a poster that schools can display to inform school communities about their obligations to report child abuse and to inform students what to do if they feel unsafe, please see: [PROTECT poster \(pdf - 203.32kb\)](#).

Early Childhood Guidance

Early Childhood Online Learning

PROTECT Resources for VET and Higher Education Providers

1. Strategies to embed an organisational culture of child safety

2. A child safe policy or statement of commitment to child safety

3. A child safety code of conduct

4. Screening, supervision, training and other human resources practices that reduce the risk of child abuse

5. Procedures for responding to and reporting suspected child abuse

6. Strategies to identify and reduce or remove risks of child abuse

7. Strategies to promote child participation and empowerment



Standard 1

 [Fact Sheet - Strategies to Embed an Organisational Culture of Child Safety](#) |  Word version

 [Action Plan Template](#) |  PDF version

 [Key Activities of a School Child Safety Officer or Leader](#) |  Word version


Standard 2

 [Fact Sheet - A Child Safety Policy or a Statement of Commitment to Child Safety](#) |  Word version

 [Example Statement of Commitment to Child Safety](#) |  Word version

 [Preparing a Child Safe Environment](#) |  Word version

Standard 3

 [Fact Sheet - Developing a Child Safety Code of Conduct](#) |  Word version

 [Exemplar/Model Code of Conduct](#) |  Word version

 [Definitions](#) |  Word version

 [Aligning the Child Safety Code of Conduct to other professional codes](#) |  Word version


Standard 4


 [Fact sheet - School Staff Selection, Supervision and Management Practices for a Child-safe Environment](#) |  Word version

Standard 5



Identifying and responding to all forms of abuse in Victorian schools

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 Feeling Safe: For Primary School Students |  Word version

 Feeling Safe: For Secondary School Students |  Word version

 Spotting the Warning Signs of Child Abuse: For School Staff |  Word version

 Protecting Children from Abuse: For Parents and Carers |  Word version



For translated fact sheets in multiple languages and Easy English, see: [Translations](#)

Standard 6

 Fact Sheet - Strategies to Identify and Reduce or Remove Risks of Child Abuse |  Word version

 Risk Assessment Template |  PDF version

Standard 7

 Fact Sheet - Strategies to Promote Child Empowerment and Participation |  Word version

How the Standards apply to the school environment

Workplace Learning

Workplace learning includes work experience, structured workplace learning, school community work (volunteering) and School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBATs). For resources to support schools consider workplace learning and the Child Safe Standards, please see: [Workplace Learning](#)

Homestay

Forthcoming information on homestay arrangements.

Further information

[Child Safe Standards in registered schools - VRQA](#)

[Child Safe Standards Resources - DHHS](#)

[Working with Children Check - Department of Justice and Regulation](#)

For guidance around checks for volunteers (including parent volunteers): [Volunteer Checks](#)

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