

JCCV CHILD PROTECTION REFERENCE GROUP

2014 Training—Education, Policy and Practice

The JCCV Child Protection Reference Group have organised a series of sessions designed to assist organisations to improve their Child Protection Policies and Practices.

We invite organisations to send up to three representatives, including an **elected Champion** to embed a culture of child protection that aims to keep children and young people safe. The program is divided into five morning sessions that will run sequentially over five months so the Champion can develop policies and practices in between the formal sessions.

Run by child protection expert, Katherine Levi, the program will provide:

- A clear understanding of child sexual abuse and the indicators;
- The risks to children and young people within organisations;
- The skills required to minimise risks within your organisational context;
- The ability to incorporate prevention strategies into organisational culture; and
- Skills to deal effectively with a suspected, witnessed or alleged incident of abuse.



PROGRAM DETAILS

4th Tuesday of each month
25 Feb, 25 Mar, 29 Apr, 27 May & 24
Jun 2014
9.30 am - 12.00 pm

Beth Weizmann Community Centre
306 Hawthorn Rd Caulfield

Cost Per Organisation - \$475
(Non-Affiliates - \$525)
(Inclusive of 5 sessions & 3 participants)

Expressions of interest to Jo Silver
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PROGRAM & TRAINER

Implementing Safe Practices for Young People

SESSION 1

- Child sexual abuse in organisations

SESSION 2 & 3

- Identifying risks to children and young people in your organisational context

SESSION 4

- Recruitment, screening and induction strategies to minimise risks to children and young people

SESSION 5

- Workshop: Child sexual abuse and allegations, policies and practices

“When a person like myself wants a child, you don't just grab & molest them. There's a process of gaining the child's, and in my case, the family's friendship. Then the child is vulnerable, and you can molest the child”*

Katherine Levi

Katherine is a highly qualified professional with 20 years experience working with at-risk youth. With a Masters in Social Work, Katherine spent 4 years as CEO of the Australian Council for Children and Youth Organisations (ACCYO) and 6 years as CEO for Big Brothers-Big Sisters.

Whilst at ACCYO (established in 2001 as the national, not-for-profit organisation focused on preventing child abuse and neglect in organisational settings), Katherine developed the concept and content of the Safeguarding Children Program, a unique national accreditation program, designed to assist corporate, voluntary and community based organisations. The program has attracted international interest and was endorsed by the Director of the Quality Improvement Council and Professor Fiona Stanley AC, founding Director of the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research.

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