



nsw commission for
children & young people

Mr Steve Larkins

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Dear Mr Larkins

I refer to your recent correspondence to Ms Helen Priestley, then Acting Manager, Screening Unit Department of Community Services, (DoCS), requesting a review of the risk assessment that was completed for you in November 2003.

As DoCS is no longer an approved Screening Agency and the Screening Unit has transferred to the Commission for Children and Young People, I am responding to your correspondence.

Your request to review the risk assessment outcome has been given due consideration in conjunction with the additional information you have now provided.

On reviewing the information relating to your position, it would appear that your position does not meet the criteria for the Working With Children Check, i.e. that one of the essential criteria of the position is "direct unsupervised contact with children". Accordingly, your check will be withdrawn.

In order to ensure that the Hunter Aboriginal Children's Services is meeting its obligation under the Working With Children Check legislation, you may wish to identify positions that are in child related employment prior to submitting checks in the future. The new guidelines for the Working With Children Check are available on Commission's website at www.kids.nsw.gov.au. You may access these to assist you with future checks.

I trust this finalises the matter for you.

Please contact Ms Helen Priestley Working With Children on REDACTED if you wish to discuss this matter.

Yours sincerely



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Coordinator Working With Children

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