



CASE STUDY 24
PUBLIC HEARING INTO
PREVENTING, AND RESPONDING TO ALLEGATIONS OF,
CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE

10 – 20 March 2015

Hearing Room 1
Level 17, Governor Macquarie Tower
1 Farrer Place, Sydney

Witness List and Topics to be Examined

Topic	Witness	Title and Agency
1. Recruitment, assessment and training of foster and kinship carers and staff in residential care	Government	
	Ms Maree Walk	Deputy Secretary Programs and Service Design Department of Family and Community Services New South Wales
	Ms Simone Jackson	Acting Executive Director Out-of-Home Care Division Department of Children and Families Northern Territory
	Mr Tony Harrison	Chief Executive Department for Education and Child Development South Australia
	Mr Tony Kemp	Deputy Secretary Children and Youth Services Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania
	Ms Katy Haire	Deputy Secretary Service Design & Operations Department of Health and Human Services Victoria
	Non-government	
	Ms Claire Robbs	Chief Executive Officer Life Without Barriers
	Ms Micaela Cronin	Chief Executive Officer MacKillop Family Services
	Ms Connie Salamone	Director Strategy and Services VACCA

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2. Monitoring of children in out-of-home care	Government	
	Ms Natalie Howson	Director-General Community Services Directorate Australia Capital Territory
	Ms Maree Walk	Deputy Secretary Programs and Service Design Department of Family and Community Services New South Wales
	Mr Tony Kemp	Deputy Secretary Children and Youth Services Department of Health and Human Services Tasmania
	Ms Emma White	Director-General Department for Child Protection and Family Support Western Australia
	Non-government	
	Ms Louise Voight	Chief Executive Officer Barnardos Australia
	Mr Rob Evers	Chief Executive Officer Wesley Mission Victoria
3. Systems, policies, practices and procedures for reporting allegations	Government	
	Ms Maree Walk	Deputy Secretary, Programs and Service Design Department of Family and Community Services New South Wales
	Ms Cathy Taylor	Deputy Director, General, Strategic Policy and Programs Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services Queensland
	Ms Katy Haire	Deputy Secretary Service Design & Operations Department of Health and Human Services Victoria
	Non-government	
	Ms Claire Robbs	Chief Executive Officer Life Without Barriers
	Ms Micaela Cronin	Chief Executive Officer MacKillop Family Services
	Rev Dr Keith Garner	Chief Executive Officer/Superintendent Wesley Mission New South Wales

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4. Systems, policies, practices and procedures for responding to allegations	Government	
	Ms Simone Jackson	Acting Executive Director Out-of-Home Care Division Department of Children and Families Northern Territory
	Ms Cathy Taylor	Deputy Director-General Strategic Policy and Programs Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services Queensland
	Ms Katy Haire	Deputy Secretary Service Design & Operations Department of Health and Human Services Victoria
	Non-government	
	Mr Paul McDonald	Chief Executive Officer Anglicare Victoria
	Mr Graham Dangerfield	Chief Executive Baptcare Victoria
5. Systems, policies, practices and procedures for supporting children who have been sexually abused in out-of-home care	Government	
	Ms Maree Walk	Deputy Secretary Programs and Service Design Department of Family and Community Services New South Wales
	Mr Tony Harrison	Chief Executive Department for Education and Child Development South Australia
	Non-government	
	Mr Paul McDonald	Chief Executive Officer Anglicare Victoria
	Ms Sandie de Wolf	Chief Executive Officer Berry Street
	Ms Karen Larkman	General Manager Family & Community Division 1 CatholicCare
	Mr Stephen Walkerden	General Manager United Protestant Association
Ms Connie Salamone	Director Strategy and Services VACCA	

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