



# Principles for child-safe organisations released for consultation

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The NSW Office of the Children's Guardian is seeking comment on a draft set of guidelines and principles for creating a child safe organisation released today.

The *Principles for Child Safe Organisations* (PDF 1.7MB) are informed by the research and findings of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse regarding the characteristics of child-safe organisations.

Research tells us organisations that listen to children, and have an open culture that encourages early detection and reporting of concerns, are better equipped to keep children safe.

The guidelines have been developed to assist organisations to think about strategies, in addition to the Working With Children Check, that can help keep children safe. Probity checks are important – they exclude people who are known to pose a risk to children and young people in child-related work – but they do not prevent harm from occurring to children in the future. Organisations must think about other things they can do to minimise the risk of harm to children.

Please download the draft publication and complete the feedback survey using the links below.



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**Principles for Child Safe Organisations feedback survey (other 0KB)**

The Office of the Children's Guardian seeks your feedback regarding the Principles for Child Safe Organisations. The purpose of the principles is to help organisations to think about what it means to be child safe and to identify practical

strategies to implement child safe principles in their day-t ...