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### **Statement of Commitment to Child Safety**

South West TAFE is committed to the protection of all children from all forms of child abuse and demonstrates this commitment through the implementation of a Child Safe Program designed to keep children safe.

Child abuse includes sexual offences, grooming, physical violence, serious emotional or psychological harm, serious neglect and a child's exposure to family violence.

All students enrolled, and any child visiting the Institute, have a right to feel safe and be safe. The wellbeing of children in our care will always be our first priority and we have zero tolerance to child abuse. We aim to create a child safe and child friendly environment where children feel safe and are free to enjoy life to the full without any concern for their safety.

South West TAFE regards its child protection responsibilities with the utmost importance and as such, is committed to providing the necessary resources to ensure compliance with all relevant child protection laws and regulations and maintain a child safe culture.

### **Links**

Our Child Protection and Safety Strategy is supported by the following:

- Child Wellbeing and Safety Amendment (Child Safe Standards) 2015
- Child Safety and Wellbeing Act 2005
- Working with Children Act 2005
- Reportable Conduct Scheme
- Children, Youth and Families Act 2005