

Dear ACFID members,

Delivering services consistently with the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations is now required by all Federally funded agencies working with children and young people. Government and stakeholder expectations around child safeguarding have increased in recent years post the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and other inquiries. As a result, there is now a very high onus on organisations to prioritise child safeguarding. Reputational and funding risks exist for organisations that are not able to demonstrate a robust focus.

Child Wise is uniquely placed to support Australian organisations that work in an international context to meet these obligations. Child Wise originated as a leading voice on children's rights in the Asia Pacific region as a founding member of ECPAT (End Child Prostitution and Trafficking) and is a pioneer in child safeguarding in Australia with nearly 30 years of experience working with organisations to become child safe.

Operating as a social enterprise, Child Wise works with organisations to implement the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. We offer training, consultancy and accreditation services designed to build the capacity of your staff, and ensure you have all the right policies and procedures in place. We are particularly focussed on supporting organisations to more effectively hear the voices of children and promote their participation and empowerment.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how we can support your organisation further and encourage you to consider becoming accredited by Child Wise as a tangible proof of how you have implemented the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations.

Yours Sincerely



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