

NSWIS Child Safety Commitment



All children and young people have a right to feel and be safe. The NSW Institute of Sport (NSWIS) is committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. We are committed to providing a child-safe and child-friendly environment, where children and young people are safe, and are able to actively participate in decisions that affect their lives.

NSWIS believes every child and young person deserves to **feel safe, empowered, and heard** within our organisation. We regard our child protection responsibilities with the utmost importance and are committed to providing the necessary resources to ensure compliance with all relevant child protection laws and regulations. This includes the maintenance of a child-safe culture.

We have **zero tolerance** of child abuse and other harm. All allegations and safety concerns will be treated seriously and consistently with our comprehensive set of policies and procedures.

We have legal and moral obligations to share critical safety information with other organisations when a child's wellbeing is at risk, which we follow rigorously. We are committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early and removing and reducing these risks.

NSWIS will ensure that child safety and wellbeing is embedded in our organisational culture, reflected in our policies and procedures, and understood and practiced at all levels of our work. We have robust recruitment practices designed to reduce the risks to children and young people and we provide regular training and education resources about risks to children to all people within our organisation.

We will ensure children and young people's **voices are heard** about decisions that affect their lives.

Celebrating our differences, we prioritise **inclusivity and respect**. We cater to the wellbeing of every child and young person, especially vulnerable groups, through accessible resources, culturally sensitive awareness, and continuous learning. This fosters a safe and welcoming space where all children and young people can grow.

Together, we can ensure all children and young people grow up safe, strong and reach their full potential.

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