

# CHILD SAFETY POLICY

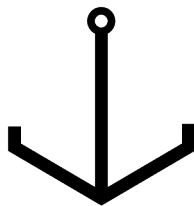
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Anchor Church is committed to ensuring that our community is the safest it can be for children. We seek to honour God by providing safe spaces for children of all ages to play, worship, and participate in our programs. Our commitment to providing safe spaces for children means we strongly oppose any form of child abuse and take a proactive and preventative approach to child safety.

In line with our Child Safety and Protection Policy\*, we provide ongoing training and development for all staff and volunteers involved with our children's programs. We equip our staff and volunteers to be able identify indicators of abuse, and to foster a culture of openness where children know who they can talk to if they are worried or feel unsafe. We require all individuals involved with our children's programs to maintain a current Working with Children Check and ensure they understand their responsibility to individually and collectively ensure the wellbeing and safety of all children. We have a Child Safety Officer equipped to treat any allegations and safety concerns with utmost seriousness, and in accordance with legislative requirements and best practice processes.

By pursuing excellence in child safety, we hope all children at Anchor find a safe space where they can grow into their true identity in Christ and play their part in making disciples.



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\* Anchor Church's policies are regularly reviewed and updated in line with legislative changes in NSW and Australia.