



Child Safe Strategy

Introduction

Creating safe and supportive service environments for children is everyone's business. The Queensland Bridge Association Inc. ("QBA") is committed to providing a high standard of service to children, and ensuring they are kept safe from harm. For this purpose, the QBA has developed and implemented a child safe strategy ("CSS"). The strategy has a number of components to

- address our **commitment** to creating a safe and supportive service environment
- strengthen our **capability** to provide such an environment
- assist the QBA to manage any particular **concerns** with respect to the safety and wellbeing of children who are involved with us, and
- promote the **consistency** of our approach to risk management, both internally and with respect to compliance with legislative requirements.

The strategy has eight components, namely:

Commitment

1. A [statement of commitment](#) to the safety and wellbeing of children and the protection of children from harm, and
2. A [code of conduct](#) for interacting with children.

Capability

3. Written procedures for [recruiting, selecting, training and managing staff and volunteers](#).

Concerns

4. Policies and procedures for handling [disclosures or suspicions of harm](#), including reporting guidelines
5. A plan for [managing breaches](#) of our risk management strategy, and
6. Risk management plans for [high-risk activities and special events](#).

Consistency

7. Policies and procedures for managing [compliance with the Blue Card system](#), and
8. Strategies for [communication and support](#).

