

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards



Standard 1 **Committed leadership, governance and culture**

The safeguarding of children and adults is embedded in the entity's leadership, governance and culture



Standard 2 **Children and adults are safe, informed and participate**

Children and adults are informed about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously



Standard 3 **Partnering with families, carers and communities**

Families, carers and communities are informed and involved in promoting the safeguarding of children and adults



Standard 4 **Equity is promoted and diversity is respected**

Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice



Standard 5 **Robust human resource management**

People working with children and adults are suitable and supported to reflect safeguarding values in practice



Standard 6 **Effective complaints management**

Processes for raising concerns and complaints are responsive, understood, accessible and used by children, adults, families, carers, communities, and personnel



Standard 7 **Ongoing education and training**

Personnel are equipped with knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and adults safe through information, ongoing education and training



Standard 8 **Safe physical and online environments**

Entities regularly review and improve implementation of their systems for



Standard 9 **Continuous improvement**

Entities regularly review and improve implementation of their systems for keeping children and adults safe



Standard 10 **Policies and procedures support the safety of children and adults**

Policies and procedures document how the entity is safe for children and adults