



## Statement of Providing a Child Safe Environment

Jacaranda Preschool has a moral and legal responsibility to ensure that the rights and best interests of the child are paramount and that we will provide training, resources, information, and guidance to support this in order to:

- ensure that the health, safety and wellbeing of children at the service is protected at all times;
- ensure that people educating and caring for children at the service act in the best interests of the child;
- protect and advocate the rights of all children to feel safe, and be safe, at all times;
- maintaining a culture in which children's rights are respected;
- encouraging active participation from families at the service, supporting a partnership approach and shared responsibility for children's health, safety, wellbeing, and development.

### What are we going to do?

All children have the right to experience quality education and care in an environment that promotes opportunities to thrive with adults who safeguard and advocate for their health, safety, security, and wellbeing including the right to:

- be asked to express their views and wishes about matters affecting their lives and to have those views appropriately considered by adults;
- feel and be safe in their interactions with adults and other children and young people; and
- understand, as early as possible, what is meant by 'feeling and being safe'.

### What strategies will we implement?

1. Promote a safe physical environment
2. Adhere to staffing and supervision regulations
3. Conduct child protection legislation training and ensure necessary qualifications including working with children checks are current
4. Prevent harms and hazards including risk assessments and emergency evacuation plans

### Monitoring, Evaluation and Review

The full *Providing a Child Safe Environment Policy* will be monitored to ensure compliance with legislative requirements and reviewed every twelve months. In accordance with R. 172 of the Education and Care Services National Regulations, Jacaranda Preschool will ensure that families of children enrolled at the service are notified at least 14 days before making any change to a policy or



procedure that may have significant impact on the provision of education and care to any child enrolled at the service; a family's ability to utilise the service; the fees charged or the way in which fees are collected.