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Community Living Association Commitment Statement

Children and Young People

Community Living Association Inc. (CLA) is committed to providing services to children and young people to assist them to feel safe, happy, included and valued. We recognise that children and young people do not live in isolation but are members of families, communities and connected with a range of service organisations. They may connect with a guardian or a non-parent carer. CLA will endeavour to work with those entities to achieve best outcomes for children and young people.

CLA will endeavour to provide a safe and supportive service environment for children and young people by an established code of conduct for all those associated with the organisation. Effective child focused policies and procedures are in place for recruiting, selecting, training and managing paid employees and volunteers as well as policies and procedures for handling disclosures or suspicion of harm, including reporting guidelines. We utilise risk management plans for high risk activities, events and compliance with the Working with Children Safety Check, blue card system.

CLA upholds organisational values of Inclusion, Caring and Respectful Relationships. CLA values developmental practice and will work with children and young people and the environments they live within to build the capacity of all to achieve the values outlined in this commitment statement. A detailed description of these values is in the Code of Conduct.

The Commitment Statement will be publicly displayed in all our premises.

[The content of this statement is underpinned by the QLD Government Department of Justice and Attorney-General Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy Toolkit 2017].