## **Statement of Commitment to Child Safety**

All children and young people who access services through Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains have a right to feel safe. We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. We are committed to providing child-safe and child-friendly environments, where children and young people are safe and able to actively participate in decisions that affect their lives.

We have zero tolerance for child abuse and other harm, and we are committed to acting in children's best interests and keeping them safe.

Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains regards its child protection responsibilities with the utmost importance and is committed to providing the necessary resources to ensure compliance with all relevant child protection laws and regulations, and the maintenance of a child-safe culture.

Each employee and volunteer of the agency has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role that they play, individually and collectively, to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children accessing our services is at the forefront of all that they do, and every decision that they make.

