ChildSafe Reporting of Concern



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This information is to be kept <u>strictly confidential</u> and not to be used for <u>any other reason</u> <u>except for the purpose of reporting the concern regarding the safety of a child.</u>

Appropriate record-keeping procedures are to be observed when filing this report.

The provision of information to Statutory Authorities or Diocesan Professional Standards for the protection of a child is <u>not a breach of confidentiality</u>.

Once this form is completed, please hand it to a Pastor of Oaktree.

Details of Child or Young Person of Concern			
Name of person:			
Gender:	Age:		Date of birth/age (if known):
Child's address (if known):			
Name(s) of parents/guardians: (if applicable/known):			
Does the child known this disclosure/		Are the parents aware of the disclosure?	
incident is being documented? (Y/N)		(Y/N)	
Your Details			
Your Name:		Date and time of report/incident:	
Your Role at Oaktree:		Your Contact Information:	
Relationship to the Child:		Relationship to the Alleged Perpetrator:	
Alleged Perpetrator Details (complete as much information as you know)			
Full Name:		Address:	
Contact number:		Relationship to the child:	
Are they a parishioner of Oaktree? (Y/N)		Role at Oaktree (if any):	

Please turn over...

Describe concerns and disclosures:			
Provide as much information as possible, based on facts and observations. Include dates,			
times and locations as disclosed (if known).			
Please do not investigate beyond what you have observed/heard/experienced.			
If there is not enough space, please continue on a separate page.			

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Information for people making a report

If a child is at Imminent Risk of Harm, please immediately contact:

- The Police (000)
- Child Protection Authorities (Ph 131 278)

Who can report?

Anyone, including leaders, staff, volunteers, parents, children, friends.

What can be reported?

- Disclosure of abuse or harm
- Allegation, suspicion or observation
- Misconduct behaviour and reportable conduct
- Knowledge of relevant criminal offences
- Breach of the Code of Conduct

Who to inform?

This form can be given to any Pastor of Oaktree, or you may wish to discuss your concern with a Pastor before filling in this form.

A complaint about a Pastor may be made directly to the Diocese on 1800 135 246 or dps@kooyoora.org.au.

All allegations of child abuse will be reported to statutory authorities, such as police or child protection. A report will also be made to the Anglican Director of Professional Standards if the alleged perpetrator is a member of an Anglican church.

What do I do now?

- Ensure a Pastor is aware you have submitted this Report of a Concern
- Make the immediate environment safe for children
- Seek support or debriefing
- Observe privacy and confidentiality legislation and only inform relevant or appropriate people. Information should not be shared otherwise.
- Specifically, do not investigate or make inquiries with the alleged perpetrator.

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