

DIOCESAN REPORTING AND RESPONDING TO SAFE CHURCH CONCERNS PROCEDURE

When a child or adult discloses that they are at risk, or when reasonable grounds have been established, follow these steps:

1. Report to your Priest-in-Charge/ Warden

(unless they are the alleged abuser -if this is the case proceed to step 2) If any person's immediate safety is at risk (sexual or physical abuse), go directly to the on-site activity leader, who will in turn **phone the police** and organise immediate, appropriate support for the person.

2. Regarding child sexual abuse/ sexual misconduct matters, contact the Director of Professional Standards – Greg Milles - for advice on appropriate action

1800 774 945 or (07) 3835 2266 Email: gmilles@anglicanchurchsq.org.au

Other contacts:

The Department of Child Safety: During normal business hours:

Rockhampton Child Safety Services: (07) 4848 4500

After hours and on weekends - contact Child Safety After Hours Service Centre:

(07) 3235 9999 or 1800 177 135.

https://www.csyw.qld.gov.au/child-family

3. Write your concerns down

The Priest-in-Charge or Warden will help you complete a report that must be given to the Director of Professional Standards.

4. For other Safe Church concerns or Professional Standards issues: Anglican Church CQ Safe Church Team at the Diocesan office on (07) 4922 6755

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