

Child Protection Reporting Policy

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Transport is committed to providing a safe environment for its customers.

We are committed to providing a working environment and delivering transport services that ensure the safety of children and young people.

All Transport agencies take this responsibility seriously and work to prevent, identify and report on any conduct that impacts the welfare of a child in accordance with our statutory responsibilities under the *Ombudsman Act 1974*, *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012* (CPWC Act), *Children's Guardian Act 2019* (CG Act) and the *Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1998* (CYPCP Act).

We are committed to assisting, liaising and exchanging information with child protection agencies effectively and efficiently in appropriate circumstances.

We aim to achieve these commitments by:

- Responding and reporting quickly on issues or incidents involving the welfare of a child or young person, in line with our responsibilities under the Ombudsman, CPWC, CG and CYPCP Acts.
- Establishing a contact point on behalf of each agency for the Office of the Children's Guardian, the NSW Ombudsman and the NSW Police Force in relation to child protection issues.
- Responding effectively to allegations of a child protection nature.
- Promoting collaboration between Transport agencies to share information, and identify strengths and weaknesses in child protection issue prevention, response and reporting.
- Undertaking regular compliance audits and reporting results.

- Promoting employee awareness of child safety responsibilities through training and intranet resources.

This Policy applies to staff performing work for the following:

- Transport for NSW
- Department of Transport
- Sydney Trains
- NSW Trains
- State Transit
- Sydney Metro
- The Point to Point Transport Commissioner

'Staff' includes all permanent, temporary and casual staff, staff seconded from another organisation and contingent workers including labour hire, professional services contractors and consultants.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rob Sharp'.

Rob Sharp
Secretary

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