



COMMONWEALTH CHILD SAFE FRAMEWORK

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

ACLEI is committed to promoting and maintaining a culture that does not permit or tolerate child abuse and provides a safe environment for children.

The nature of ACLEI's work means there is extremely limited interaction with children across the scope of its activities and functions. ACLEI would only come into contact with children in the context of particular operational circumstances. As the likelihood of these circumstances arising is rare, ACLEI has assessed the risk to child safety as a result of its operations as Moderate.

ACLEI have completed an annual risk assessment, and has included child safety as a specific consideration in our operational risk assessments. We have also communicated our commitment to child safety and the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations to staff.

ACLEI conducts pre-employment screening of all prospective staff, including employees, secondees and contract staff (where appropriate). This includes criminal history screening through the National Police Checking Service, and gaining and maintaining required security clearances, with operational staff requiring clearance at or above Negative Vetting 1 level.

ACLEI is actively working toward full compliance with the Child Safety Framework and is committed to the following program of work in 2022/2023 to achieve this.

- Launching a Child Safety Policy.
- Following policy implementation, develop and implement a central register to record circumstances where child and young people engagements have occurred.
- Updating ACLEI's eLearn training for all staff to address the specific learning points within the framework.
- Integrating oversight of child safety arrangements into ACLEI's Legislative Compliance Framework and Reporting.