

PREVENTING AND RESPONDING TO THE ABUSE, NEGLECT AND EXPLOITATION OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY



YellowBridge QLD Ltd is committed to preventing and responding to the abuse, neglect and exploitation of people with a disability and will:

- Ensure that the health, safety and wellbeing of clients provided with disability support is the paramount consideration in service provision; and that clients are provided with maximum protection from abuse, neglect and exploitation
- Promote a culture of no retribution in the case of reporting, including reporting of suspected or alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation or incidents suggestive of abuse, neglect or exploitation
- Ensure that there are systems to identify abuse, neglect or exploitation of service users including acting in accordance requirements of the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services' Critical Incident Policy and Child Safety Services reporting of child abuse procedures
- Ensure timely, adequate and appropriate responses to incidents
- Foster best practice through ongoing systems review
- Promote an integrated, evidence-based approach to the prevention and identification of and response to abuse, neglect and exploitation, which is supported by ongoing and appropriate workforce development and training
- Supports structure ensures that reasonable care is taken to avoid foreseeable risks without limiting the individual's freedom of choice.

Related Policies

- Confidentiality and Privacy
- Service Provision Policy
- Critical Incident Reporting Policy

Related Procedures

- All Disability Support Procedures

Related Documents

- Disability Services Act 2006
- Statement of Commitment to Quality and Continual Improvement
- Certificate of Approval – AS/NZS ISO 9001-2008: Quality Management Requirements

Supporting Information

- All Disability Support specific supporting information

Quality Framework References

- Human Services Quality Framework
- Community Care Common Standards

ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management Standards References

- 4.1 – General Requirements
- 4.2 – Documentation Requirements
- 5 – Management Responsibility
- 5.4 – Planning
- 5.6 – Management Review



CONNECTING LIVES

- 8 – Measurement, Analysis and Improvement

Policy Approval Authority

- YellowBridge QLD Ltd Board

Policy Custodian

- Chief Executive Officer