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Safeguarding Newsletter

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National Survivors' Day

10th November 2026

National Survivors' Day

On **Tuesday 10 November,** National Survivors' Day brings communities together to recognise survivors of sexual assault and institutional abuse. This year's theme, **Honouring Every Survivor,** is a reminder that every survivor deserves to be heard, acknowledged and supported.

Church entities are encouraged to recognise the day in a way that is meaningful to their communities.

This could include hosting a morning tea, sharing awareness resources, displaying a ribbon or creating opportunities for conversations about how we can build more compassionate and supportive communities.

Visit the National Survivors' Day website for resources, social media graphics and ideas to get involved

Safeguarding team.

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STANDARD 2

Children and adults are safe, informed and participate

Children and adults are informed about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

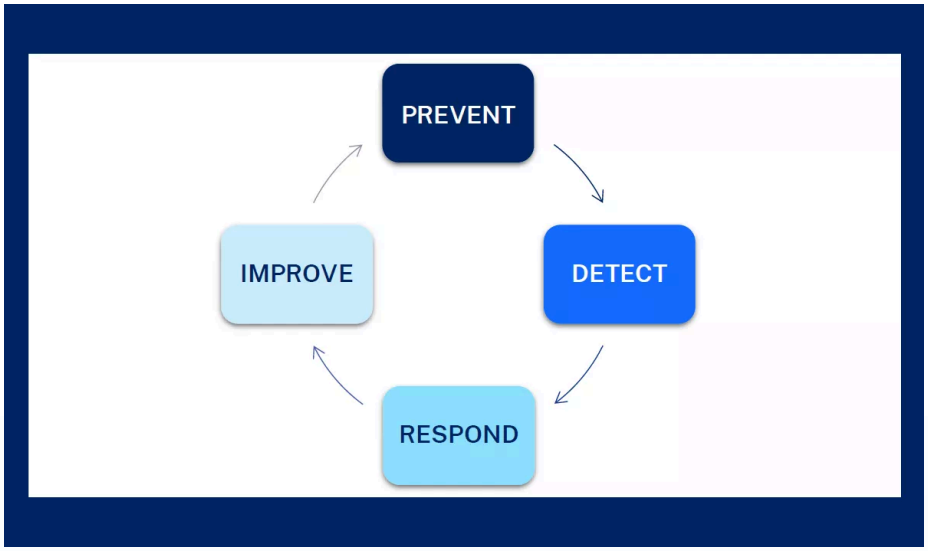
For safeguarding, meaningful participation means more than giving children an opportunity to speak. It means listening to their experiences, taking their views seriously and considering how those views can influence the decisions, environments and systems that affect them.

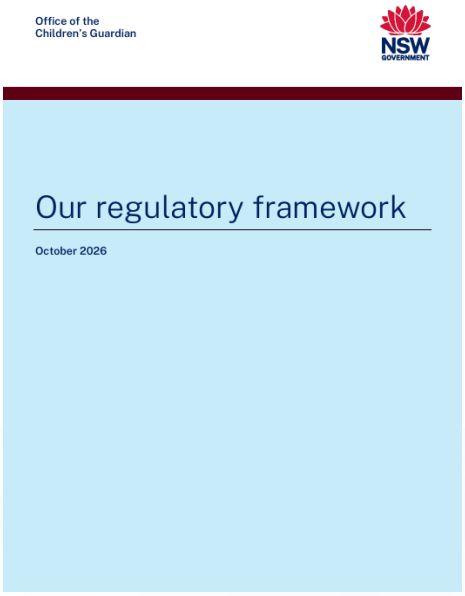
Sector – Latest News

Office of the Children's Guardian

New regulatory framework strengthens child safety across NSW

Children's Guardian, Rachael Ward, has released a new regulatory framework that sets out how her office will regulate, monitor and support organisations and individuals to keep children and young people safe in NSW.





The framework also explains how the OCG's major regulatory schemes work together to promote child safety, including:
The Child Safe Scheme and the 10 Child Safe Standards
The Working with Children Check
The NDIS Worker Check
The Reportable Conduct Scheme
Regulation of specific child-related services, such as out-of-home care and children's employment.

'This new framework reinforces that the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children remain the paramount consideration in all our regulatory decisions and actions,' Ms Ward said.

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Professional Learning Opportunities

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Term 4
1 December 2026, 3.45pm (AEDT)

Influencers, ideology and impact: how algorithms influence and reinforce harmful beliefs

Safeguarding Office Contacts

Diocesan Safeguarding Training - 2027
If you are planning your year ahead, and you are in the need of training for your staff and or volunteers please reach out to the Safeguarding Office to arrange time as they prepare their 2027 calender to suit your needs.

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Thank you for reading!