

# **CHILD SAFE POLICY**

At Studio 8:1 Dance, Child Safety is a non-negotiable priority and we are committed to ensure every student and family is safe, nurtured and respected. The studio compiles and follows the knowledge of the Tasmanian Child Safety relevant laws, National Principals for Child Safe Organisations, and guidelines suggested by Ausdance to ensure we are giving every student the protection they deserve.

We have a zero tolerance to Child Abuse and concerns about a childs safety and are taken seriously. This includes Neglect and any forms of Physical, Sexual, Emotional Abuse. For your knowledge the studio has obligations to report any concerns about the safety of a child to the authorities.

## THE 10 CHILD AND YOUTH SAFE STANDARDS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TASMANIA

- 1. Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture.
- 2. Children and young people are informed about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.
- 3. Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.
- 4. Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.
- 5. People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.
- 6. Processes to respond to complaints and concerns are child focused.
- 7. Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.
- 8. Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.
- 9. Implementation of the Child and Youth Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.
- 10. Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people.

Any member of Studio 8:1 Dance such as parents, guardians, volunteers, teachers or students are always welcome to speak privately and confidentially about any concerns they have regarding your own or another child's safety at any time.

### If you believe a child is at immediate risk please contact 000

## CHILD & YOUTH SAFE ORGANISATIONS FRAME WORK BY THE ROYAL COMMISSION RESPONSE UNIT

Studio 8:1 Dance Company acknowledges the newly updated Child & Youth Safe Organisations Frame Work and uphold all standards to the highest within the studio.

## RESOURCES

#### NATIONAL RESOURCES

For domestic, family, and sexual violence counselling and support, contact <u>1800RESPECT</u>: Phone: 1800 737 732

For short-term support if you are feeling overwhelmed or having difficulty coping or staying safe, contact <u>Lifeline</u>: Phone: 13 11 14

For free professional phone and online counselling for anyone affected by suicide living in Australia, contact <u>Suicide Call Back Service</u>: Phone: 1300 659 467

For information and support for anxiety, depression and suicide prevention for everyone in Australia, contact <u>Beyond Blue</u>: Phone: 1300 224 636

For information and support for anyone who is affected by complex trauma, contact <u>Blue Knot Foundation</u>: Phone: 1300 657 380

For counselling and support for Australian men, contact <u>MensLine Australia</u>: Phone: 1300 789 978

For advice for men about family violence, contact <u>Men's Referral Service</u>: Phone: 1300 766 491

For free 24/7, confidential and private counselling service specifically for children and young people aged 5 to 25 years, contact <u>Kids Helpline</u>: Phone: 1800 55 1800

#### **TASMANIAN RESOURCES**

For information about child wellbeing and safety, contact <u>Strong Families, Safe Kids Advice and Referral Line</u>: Phone: 1800 000 123

For free and confidential support for people who have been affected by sexual violence, contact the Tasmanian Sexual Assault Support Line (24 hour response state-wide): Phone: 1800 697 877 This line is run by the Sexual Assault Support Service in the South, and Laurel House in the North West.

> For information and support for children, young people and adults affected by family violence, contact <u>Family Violence Counselling and Support</u> <u>Service</u>: Phone: 1800 608 122

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> For free and confidential support for people impacted by crime, contact <u>Victims of Crime Service</u>: Phone: 1300 300 238

For support for relationships and to live positive lives, contact <u>Relationships Australia Tasmania</u>: Phone: 1300 364 277

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