



Child Protection Code of Conduct Acknowledgement

July 2020

I acknowledge that all adults are responsible for protecting children.

I confirm I have not been convicted of, or the subject of, any allegation related to child sexual abuse, or I confirm I will contact the IPSS Manager within 24 hours to arrange a time to discuss my circumstances.

I confirm I have read the Archdiocesan Child Protection Code of Conduct, updated July 2020.

I will:

- Treat children with respect and be a positive role model in my conduct with them.
- Ensure that the physical environment is safe from hazards that may harm a child.
- Communicate with children in an age appropriate and realistic manner.
- Set clear boundaries about appropriate behavior, including online behaviour between me and a child.
- Only have physical contact with a child in ways which are appropriate to my professional or agreed role and responsibilities.
- Be willing to listen and respond appropriately to a child’s views and concerns.
- Respond quickly, fairly and transparently to any serious complaints made by a child or related to a child.
- Abide by my civil reporting obligations and if in doubt, I will contact my Parish Priest or IPSS Manager.
- Ensure to always have a valid ACT registration or NSW clearance when working with children

I will not:

- Subject a child to any form of corporal punishment, social isolation, sexual suggestion, offence or misconduct.
- Communicate with a child in ways that are likely to humiliate, frighten or distress the child.
- Use tobacco products or possess or be under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs at any time while working with children.
- Develop any ‘special’ relationships with children that could be seen as grooming/ favouritism such as the offering of gifts or private messaging through online forums.
- Do things of a personal nature that a child can do for themselves, such as toileting or changing clothes.

Name:

Signature:**Date:**

Please returned this signed form to your Parish Secretary or to the IPSS Manager ipss@cq.org.au.
The IPSS Manager can be contacted on ph 6239 9806.

