

Board Commitment Statement to Safeguarding Children & Young People
YMCA of Hobart (Y Hobart)

The Board of Directors at Y Hobart believes in the power of inspired young people, and we believe for young people to be inspired they must feel safe and be safe.

We will support children and young people to be empowered and to feel safe and be safe at the Y, in their families and in their communities. We are committed to meeting the needs of children and young people from diverse cultures and backgrounds, supporting children and young people from all walks of life to feel culturally safe.

We believe every child and young person deserves the right to thrive, learn and grow, and to be respected, valued, and enabled to become an effective adult member of the community.

We have zero tolerance for the abuse of children and young people. Accordingly, all allegations and/or concerns about the safety of children and young people will be treated seriously, in a timely manner, with due process and in accordance with our moral and legal obligations.

We are committed to amplifying the voices of children and young people – and truly listening to them. We commit to keeping children and young people safe by encouraging them to speak up, giving them the tools to speak up, and supporting them if they do. We will ensure those who speak up with an allegation, concern, or suspicion regarding current or past abuse will be listened to and supported.

Our governance, our policies, and our procedures will reflect our commitment to keeping children and young people safe, supporting child and youth safe principles to be embedded in our culture and remain at the forefront of everything we do.

This commitment was endorsed by the Y Hobart Board on this 30th Day of April 2024:

On behalf of the Board

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