

The Universal Principle ensures that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children are culturally safe. This needs to be embedded across all 10 Standards. If an organisation isn't culturally safe, it's not child safe.

## The 10 Child Safe Standards



1 Leadership and culture

Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in the entity's organisational leadership, governance and culture



2 Voice of children

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



3 Family and community

Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing



4 Equity and diversity

Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice



5 People

People working with children are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice



6 Complaints management

Processes to respond to complaints and concerns are child focused



7 Knowledge and skills

Staff and volunteers of the entity are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and awareness to keep children safe through ongoing education and training



8 Physical and online environments

Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing and minimise the opportunity for children to be harmed



9 Continuous improvement

Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved



10 Policy and procedures

Policies and procedures document how the entity is safe for children

