

ONEMDA'S STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

Onemda is committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of children and young people in accordance with the Victorian Child Safe Standards. We support and respect all children and young people.

We have zero tolerance of child abuse and all forms of harm to children. All allegations of abuse and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently in line with our Child Safe policy and procedures. Onemda is obligated to report to authorities consistent with the Victorian Child Safe Standards and associated policies.

Onemda is committed to:

- preventing child abuse and identifying risks early and removing and reducing these risks. Onemda has robust human resources and recruitment practices in place to reduce the risk of child abuse by new and existing Board members, staff, and volunteers
- regularly training and educating our Board members, staff, and volunteers on child abuse risks
- providing clear, fair, and transparent processes in responding to, and the timely reporting of, actual or suspected child abuse
- upholding the cultural safety of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children and young people with a disability
- continuously improving our child safe policy and supporting procedures
- involving families and the community, where possible, in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

If you would like to raise concerns about child safety and wellbeing at Onemda, please contact our Child Safe Officer on 9842 1955. If you believe a child or young person is at immediate risk of abuse, contact the police on 000.

Greg Schinck

Board Chair

1st July 2022

Simon Lewis

Chief Executive Officer

1st July 2022