We commit to respecting children and take action to keep them safe.

At Uniting, we take the wellbeing and safety of children very seriously. Protecting children is at the heart of everything we do – at work, at home and in the community. We don't tolerate disrespect towards children and act immediately to prevent abuse.

Everyone at Uniting commits to safeguarding a child's right to reach their full potential. We work to empower them to find their own voices, and understand that children play an important role in creating vibrant, positive communities. We advocate for children to actively participate in these communities.

Both as individuals and as an organisation we take responsibility to respect children of all abilities and backgrounds. We recognise that disrespect and abuse can have long-lasting effects on healthydevelopment, and that these can lead to serious lifelong consequences.

We set clear standards of how each and every Uniting team member should act with children and their families. When we see behaviour that fails to meet these high standards we always let each other know. All Uniting staff share and discuss the systems and values we've designed to keep children safe, protected and respected.

Uniting challenges silence by promoting sector and community change. We do this through culture, knowledge and action.

And we commit to always doing better.

This statement applies to all Uniting staff, volunteers and visitors and is supported by the Uniting board and executive team and the Uniting Church Synod of NSW & ACT and is approved and endorsed by:

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