



What is Child-Related Work? Fact Sheet

A Worker is engaged in Child-Related Work if they have direct face to face contact with Children while providing them with certain services.

Workers require a valid Working With Children Check (WWCC).

Religious services where Children form part of the activity

For example: a priest, deacon, seminarian, or religious brother or sister; a person who performs a role primarily related to children such as a catechist, children's liturgy coordinator, senior server/acolyte, leader of children's playgroup, atrium leader, sacramental program leaders, youth leader.

Education

For example: work at schools and other education institutions private coaching or tuition of children

Entertainment for Children provided on a commercial basis

Child protection services

For example: Child protection officer

Youth Workers

Family welfare services for Children

Work in detention centres, juvenile correctional centres or supervising community justice placements

Work at refuges used by Children, long term home stays, boarding houses, overnight camps for Children

Respite care and support services for Children with a disability

Early education and care services

For example: childcare centres, nanny services and other child-minding services provided on a commercial basis

Bus services for Children, supervision of school road crossings if provided on a government funded or commercial basis

School Cleaners

Mentoring and counselling services for Children as part of a formal mentoring program

Exemptions: Certain workers in Child-Related Work are exempt from requiring a WWCC, including parents/guardians acting as volunteers at their children's activities, persons engaged in Child-Related Work for a one-off event, workers aged 17 and under and workers who have minimal direct contact with Children. **It is important that careful consideration is given as to whether an exemption can be applied, and the legislation should be considered. Seek further advice before applying an exemption.**

Reference

The following documentation is available from the Diocesan intranet.

Diocesan Working with Children Check Policy

More Information

For further information on the WWCC you can visit the Office of the Children's Guardian website at

kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au

If you have specific questions about the WWCC please contact the Office for Safeguarding (Chancery) at safeguarding@bbcatholic.org.au or phone **02 8279 1605**.