

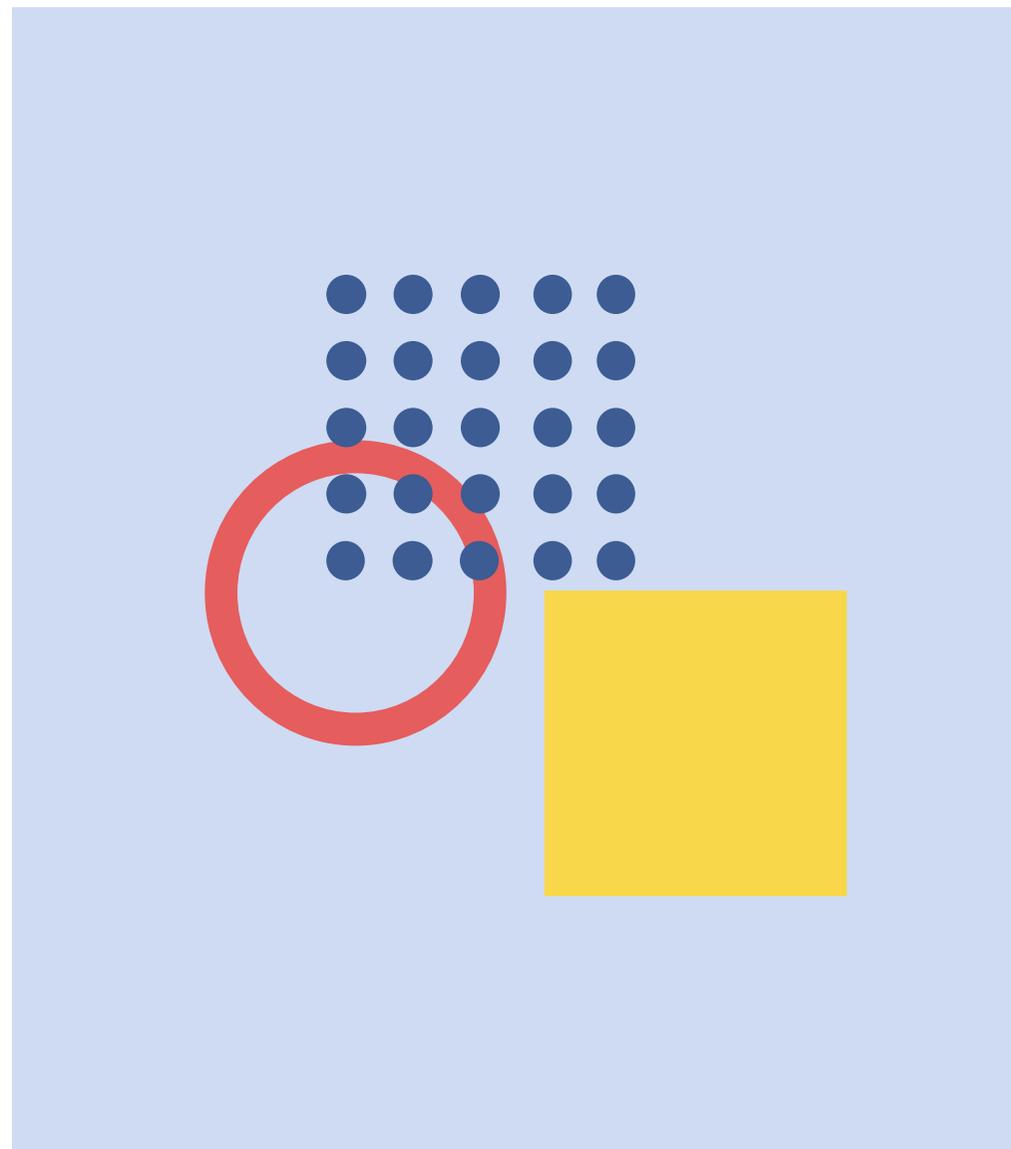


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National Office for Child Safety

Co-design of National Strategy to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse

Child Aware Conference
Policy Think Space

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I would like to begin by acknowledging the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay my respects to their elders past, present and emerging. I extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples here today

I also wish to pay my respects to survivors of child sexual abuse and recognise the importance of hearing your voices. I thank you for your courage and welcome your insights



National Office for Child Safety

- ▶ The National Office for Child Safety was **established 1 July 2018**, in response to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse
- ▶ The National Office reports to the **Prime Minister of Australia** and is located within the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
- ▶ The National Office for Child Safety has a **national leadership role**, working across governments and sectors, in the development and implementation of policies and strategies to **enhance children's safety and reduce future harm to children**



Key Initiatives and Priorities

- ▶ **National Strategy** to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse
- ▶ **National Principles** for Child Safe Organisations
- ▶ **Commonwealth Child Safe Framework**
- ▶ **Non-Government reporting** on responses to the Royal Commission
- ▶ **Measuring the Prevalence** of Child Maltreatment
- ▶ Working with the Department of Social Services to develop a Post 2020 **National Framework for Children's Safety**



Co-Design for National Strategy to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse

Key Questions to Consider

1. What is the most important action we could take to prevent child sexual abuse?
2. What services or initiatives does your community have that work well to prevent child sexual abuse or to help victims of child sexual abuse? What are the service gaps that need to be addressed?
3. How can the national strategy develop initiatives that are culturally sensitive and trauma informed? Please consider the needs of:
 - a. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
 - b. Culturally and linguistically diverse people
 - c. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer people
 - d. People living with disability
 - e. People living in rural and remote communities
 - f. Children in out of home care
 - g. Children in youth detention





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Thank you

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