

Evidence Used and Rationale Kimberley Clinical Protocols

Child Abuse and Neglect

Rationale:

To ensure that the currency of the information from the previous review.

Working Group:

Department of Communities liaised with Child Protection Service Delivery

Review and Input from:

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Reviewed by: KAHPF Maternal, Child, Family and Youth Health Sub-committee.

Discussion Points:

Protocol updated to reflect:

- 2020 WA Department of Health guidelines for protecting children
- Presentations of abuse listing
- Mandatory report of child sexual abuse to the Department of Communities
- Contacts and Resources updated including referral services and links to current resources and guidelines

Resources and References:

Updated to reflect:

- <u>Guidelines for Protecting Children</u> (Department of Health)
- Child Sexual Abuse Protocol (KAHPF)
- Enhanced Child Health Schedule Guideline
- Pre-birth Bilateral Schedule
- Recognising Child Abuse Guideline

Endorsed by the Kimberley Aboriginal Health Planning Forum: 27 April 2023