

Evidence Used and Rationale  
Kimberley Clinical Protocols  
**Child Sexual Abuse**

**Rationale:**

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

**Working Group:**

Department of Communities liaised with Child Protection Service Delivery, Kimberley joint response team for family and domestic violence (Department of Communities and WA Police).

**Review and Input from:**

Input from: Tamsen Prunster, Endorsed Midwife, Broome Regional Aboriginal Medical Service; Dr Melanie Thompson, Senior Paediatrician WA Country Health Service.

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
- Mandatory report of child sexual abuse to the Department of Communities
- Management of suspected abuse
- Contacts and Resources updated including referral services and links to current resources and guidelines

**Resources and References:**

Protocol updated to reflect:

- [Healthy Kids](#) Protocol (KAHPF)
- [Guidelines for Protecting Children](#) (Department of Health)

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