





Child Safeguard Statement

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eYogi Gurukul Child Safeguarding Statement

eYogi Gurukul, a volunteer based non-profit organisation, is committed to safeguarding the children. Our members and volunteers working with young people throughout the organisation, seek to create a safe environment for young people to grow, develop and enjoy.

Name of service being provided

The main objective of organisation is to advance and promote the Spirituality and teachings of Sanatana Dharma by means of various educational and cultural activities.

Nature of service and principles to safeguard children from harm

The eYogi Gurukul runs educational course. These courses teach how to connect India's ancient past to modern science and philosophy, how to answer the most difficult questions effectively. E Yogi's teachings are based on research and deep understanding of Sanatana Dharma, Indian scripture and culture.

Our Principles to safeguard children are

The safety and welfare of children is everyone's responsibility. The best interest and welfare of children are paramount. We aim to ensure that all children have positive development when participating in eYogi's activities in a safe and enjoyable environment.



Risk Assessment

We have carried out an assessment of any potential for harm to a child while availing of our services including the area of online safety when accessing the internet. Below is a list of the areas of risk identified and the list of procedures for managing these risks.

	Risk identified	Procedure in place to manage identified risk
1	Social media, photography/video, website, YouTube, Facebook, WhatsApp, Twitter, LinkedIn, and other virtual platforms	Social Media Policy
2	Bullying of a child	Anti-bullying policy
3	Inappropriate physical contact, assault, neglect by adult or other children	Child safeguarding policy, Garda Vetting policy, Children first training.
4	Late collection of child	Classroom Managers in place. Two adults are responsible for safeguarding child until parents arrive
5	Child protection during classroom lectures	Classroom Managers in place. Two adults (one male and one female) are designated. They arrive 15 minutes before start of the class. They sit, observe and ensure child safety during entire class. They leave the classroom venue only after all children are left safely with their guardian

Procedures

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, *Children First: National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children* (2017), and Tusla's *Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice*. In addition to the procedures listed in our risk assessment, the following procedures support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our service:

- Procedure for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct against workers/volunteers of a child availing of our service.
- Procedure for the safe recruitment and selection of workers and volunteers to work with children.
- Procedure for provision of and access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm.
- Procedure for the reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Tusla;



- Procedure for maintaining a list of the persons (if any) in the relevant service who are mandated persons.
- Procedure for appointing a relevant person.

All procedures listed are available upon request.

Implementation

We recognise that implementation is an on-going process. Our service is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm while availing of our service.

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed on 31 January 2024, or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which the statement refers.

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