

FFA SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN FRAMEWORK

FOOTBALL VICTORIA

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A photograph of three children, two girls and one boy, standing outdoors in a park-like setting. They are wearing white football jerseys with yellow and green accents. The boy in the center is smiling, while the girls on either side have neutral expressions. The girl on the right is holding a colorful football. The background shows trees and a clear sky. The image is partially covered by a large yellow graphic on the left side.

WHAT IS SAFEGUARDING?

Safeguarding is the action taken to ensure that all children are safe from harm when involved in football. It means proactively doing everything possible to minimise risk and prevent abuse and harm of children.

SAFEGUARDING IN SPORT JOURNEY



November 2012

Royal Commission into
Institutional Responses to
Child Sexual Abuse
announced

March 2015

Sport Australia released the
Sport Safeguarding Children
in Sport Blueprint Report

January 2017

Victorian Government
legislated compliance of Child
Safe Practices

December 2017

The Royal Commission final
report handed down,
recommending implementation
of 10 Child Safe Standards

February 2019

National Principles for Child Safe
Organisations endorsed by COAG

National Principles for Child Safe Organisations



**Safe, happy
and engaged
children**

Child Safe Sport Toolkit



Step 1:
Commitment



Step 2: Code of
Conduct



Step 3:
Recruitment



Step 4: Induction
and Training

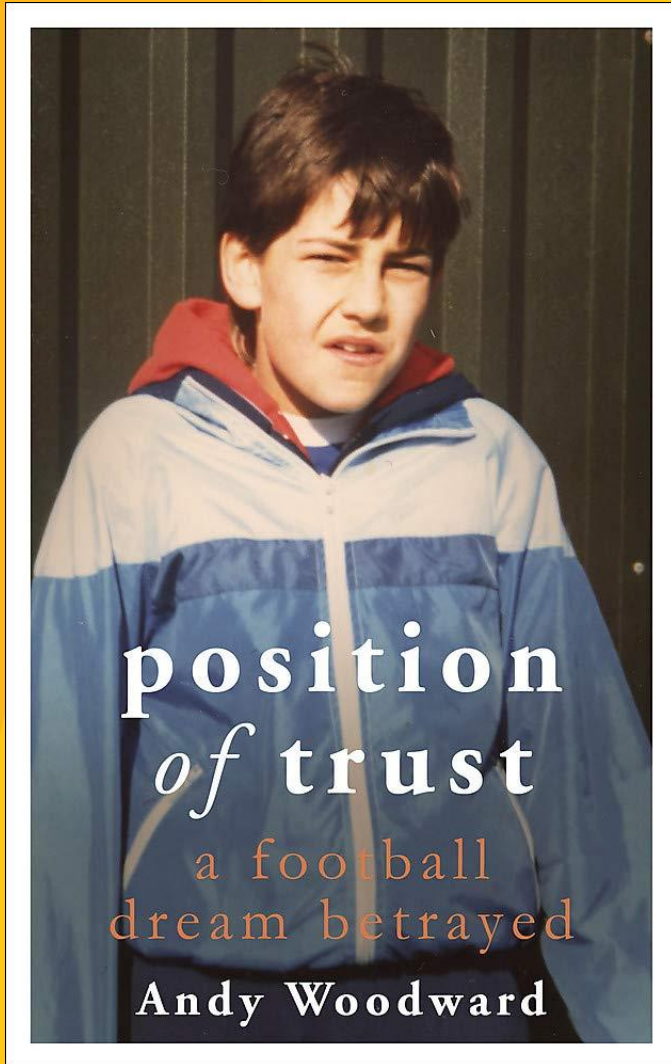


Step 5: Reporting
and Incident Forms



Step 6:
Communication

WHY IS SAFEGUARDING SO IMPORTANT?



The following video contains facts and stories which some viewers may find confronting and distressing.

*Should you find this video to be confronting or distressing and would like to speak to someone, please contact **Lifeline** on **13 11 14**.*



PHASE ONE

- Backbone of the program
- Agreed expectations, timelines and outcomes
- Policies and legal requirements

PHASE TWO

- Foundation of the program
- Builds capacity and capability
- Streamline processes
- Strengthen systems

PHASE THREE

- Execution of program

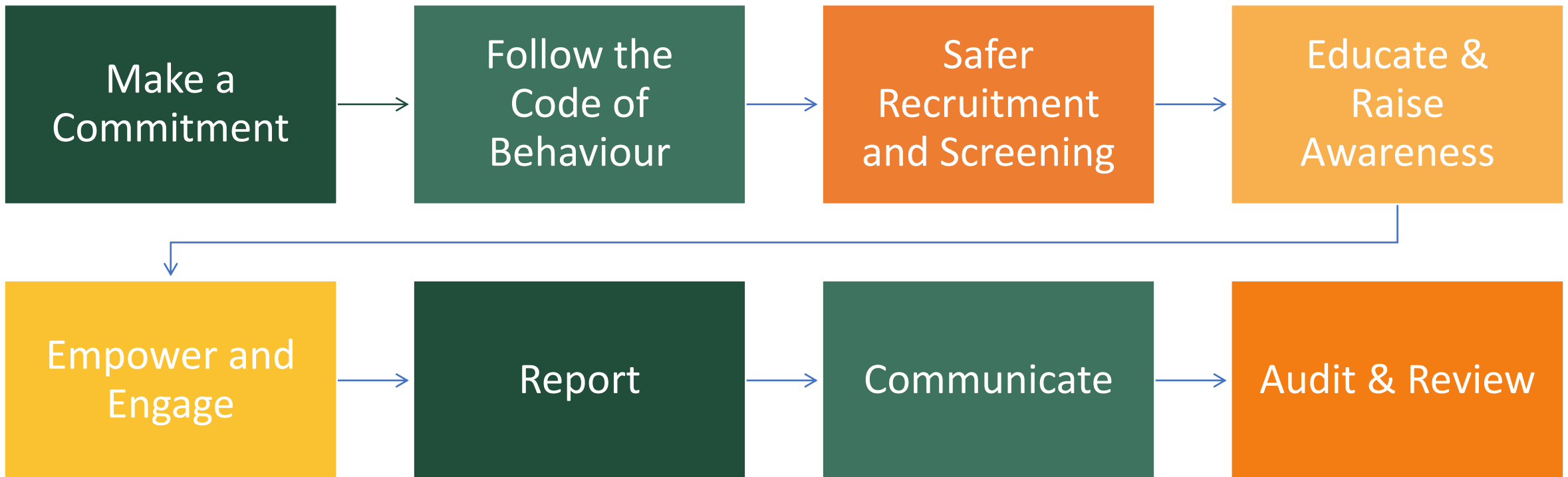
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FFA SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PROGRAM



The 8 step FFA Safeguarding Children Program aims to provide a nationally consistent approach to creating a culture in Australian football that fosters child safety and wellbeing across all sectors of the game. The program will help to keep children and young people safe from abuse, harm and exploitation.



WHAT CLUBS CAN DO IN THE INTERIM



CODES OF BEHAVIOUR

Promote and Educate your members on the Codes of Behaviour



SCREENING

Screen all members in compliance with your relevant state legislation



CHALLENGE INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR

Act upon and pick up on any inappropriate behaviour within your club



EMPOWER & ENGAGE YOUTH

Engage and involve children and youth within your club in decisions affecting them



EDUCATE

Encourage all your members who have direct and regular contact with children to complete the Play by the Rules Child Protection Online Course



REPORT

Report to your State MPIO or the FFA Integrity Unit any inappropriate behaviour or disclosure of abuse or harm.

THANK YOU

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