

Working with Children Act 2005 (Vic)

The WWCC, introduced in Victoria in 2006, has delivered enormous benefit in relation to safeguarding children and young people.

The WWCC scheme excludes from working with children and young people any person who:

- is subject to certain orders and obligations under various sex offender laws
- has been charged with, or convicted or found guilty of, a serious sexual, violent or drug-related offence
- has relevant adverse professional conduct determinations that suggest a risk to the safety of children.

By 30 June 2017 over 1.6 million people had passed the Check, and 3,322 people had failed the Check and were prohibited from working with children.

Justice and Community Safety 2018

The WWCC (and National Criminal History Record Check) screening measure is one component of Standard 4 of the Child Safe Standards.

The WWCC is one component of a range of measures in relation to the screening of clergy, employees and volunteers.

Additional information about the WWCC is provided in the INFORMATION SHEET: Working with Children Check Requirements in the Safe Personnel section of the Safeguarding Children and Young People Framework.

USEFUL RESOURCES

Justice and Community Safety 2018, 'About the Check'.

www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/home/about+the+check/index.html

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www6.austlii.edu.au/cgi-bin/viewdb/au/legis/vic/consol_act/wwca2005232

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