

DRUGS, ALCOHOL AND SMOKING NQS 7.1.5 Version 10

Keithcot Farm Children's Centre maintains a drug, alcohol and smoke free environment when children are present. Medical evidence indicates that exposure to cigarette smoke endangers health and children who are exposed to cigarette smoke have a higher risk of developing asthma, respiratory diseases and lung disorders. Children with existing conditions are at risk of having these illnesses aggravated by exposure to cigarette smoke. Ingestion of cigarettes or cigarette butts is dangerous to young children and can cause death. Information regarding drugs, alcohol and smoking will be given to families as available.

To maintain Educator : Child ratios and meet Licensing regulations, staff are not permitted to leave the premises on their 10 minute breaks.

Educators / Students / Volunteers will:

- not attend work under the influence of alcohol or illicit drugs
- not consume alcohol or illicit drugs whilst rostered to work with / or in the presence of children
- not smoke in / on the Children's Centre premises and grounds
- be informed at induction of this policy

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SOURCED: Cancer Council of SA www.cancersa.org.au
www.smokefreezone.org
Children's Services (Child Care) Regulations 1998:
- (Regulation 48)
- (Regulation 19)