

GYMEA PEOPLES CHURCH
Indicators of child abuse or neglect – reporting form

Details marked with an * need to be filled in if they apply. Other details may be provided if known.

Child/Young Person details

* Name: _____
Male ☐ Female ☐
Date of birth: _____
Address: _____
Contact Number: _____

Unborn Child details

* Mothers Name: _____
Due Date: _____
Address: _____
Contact Number: _____

Parents/Carers/Other person providing care details

* Name: _____
Address: _____
Contact Number: _____
Relationship to Child: _____

Reporter details

* Name: _____
Date of birth: _____
Address: _____
Contact Number: _____
* Position: _____

Detailed Report

* Date: _____
* Location: _____
* Are the child and the child's family aware of the reporter's concern? _____
* Prior incidents involving subject child known to reporter: _____

* Provide details of the grounds for your concern regarding the child/young person/unborn child. Provide information that you think is of concern and has informed your belief that this child is likely to be subject to harm or neglect. (Continue overleaf if required)

Child Abuse includes:

- Physical Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- Psychological Harm
- Substance Abuse
- Domestic Violence
- Child/Young Person is a Danger to Self and/or Others

Neglect includes:

- Supervision
- Shelter/Environment
- Food
- Hygiene/Clothing
- Medical, Dental or Mental Health Care
- Education;
 - Not enrolled
 - Habitual absence

Physical Indicators:

- Unexplained or suspicious bruising/injury
- Unexplained or suspicious untidiness, dirtiness or hunger
- Reluctance to return home
- Consistent lack of supervision
- Consistent hunger
- Inappropriate dress for weather conditions

- Developmental delays (eg. Language, weight)
- Problematic sexual behavior toward others
- Unattended medical and dental needs
- Antenatal care not provided
- Not being enrolled in school
- Habitual absence from school

Behavioural Indicators

- Depression
- Poor impulse control
- Demands constant affection and attention
- Lack of parental participation and interest
- Misuse of drugs and/or alcohol
- Regularly displays fatigue and/or listlessness eg. Falling asleep in class
- Steals or begs for food
- Reports there is no caregiver at home
- Self-destructive/abusive behaviours including expressions of self-hate
- Lacks trust of others/unpredictable in behavioural reactions
- Taking over care giving role for other children/siblings

This report is completed as part of our commitment to keeping children safe and our responsibility under the child protection legislation. It will be kept secure and confidential and be reviewed as required by the Church leadership for the purposes of managing its child safe responsibilities.