

Policy: Child Protection and Youth Justice

The Department must work collaboratively with other government agencies involved in youth justice, including the Department of the Attorney General and Justice and the NT Police, to ensure the provision of services and ongoing support to young people involved with the youth justice system and their families.

Territory Families is responsible for safeguarding the wellbeing of every young person in the care of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) encompassing any involvement with the youth justice system, and including when the young person is in detention. Territory Families must work collaboratively with persons who have shared parental responsibility for the young person in supporting the young person during their involvement in the youth justice system.

There are a number of circumstances when Care and Protection Case Managers will be required to take action in relation to matters dealt with under the Youth Justice Act. These include:

- Providing a report to the Youth Justice Court, as ordered by the Court and attending Court to present the report;
- Supporting a young person in the care of the CEO in dealings with the youth justice system; and
- Assisting young people in the care of the CEO to meet youth justice requirements.

Legislative Basis and Related Documents

[Youth Justice Act 2008 s51](#)

[Care and Protection of Children Act 2007](#)

Standards

[Standards of Professional Practice](#)

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