

## Policy: Requesting Information from Police

### Policy Statement

Information exchange will take place only when necessary to ensure that the safety and wellbeing of children is protected and harm is prevented.

A collaborative working relationship and exchange of information will ensure a coordinated response between the Northern Territory Police and the Department.

Consultation between the Case Manager and Team Leader must take place, at any stage of work, before a request for information to police is made.

Consideration should be given to:

- What information has already been obtained from police in previous investigations or by the Central Intake Team;
- What information can be gathered from direct discussion with the child, family and persons involved in the case;
- The reason/s for the request and what the information, once known, will assist to determine.

### Legislative Basis and Related Documents

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

Part 5.1A Sharing Information for safety and wellbeing of children

[Standards of Professional Practice-4 & 5](#)

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