



## **Alcohol and Other Substances Policy**

### **RATIONALE:**

All children have the right to an environment that is free from alcohol and substance abuse. Akoranga Preschool is an alcohol and drug free environment.

### **PURPOSE:**

To provide and enforce a safe environment for all children attending Akoranga Preschool.

### **PROCEDURES/PRACTICES:**

- No adult under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs will be allowed on any excursions
- No alcohol or drugs will be consumed on any excursion unless necessary for medical use. This must be accompanied by an official medical document
- Any staff or volunteer who is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or mind altering substances will be asked to leave the premises. This situation will then be reported to Management
- Visitors to the Centre will be made aware of the policy which will be displayed on the notice board at all times
- Any organisation which hires this facility will comply with this policy
- In the event of a child being collected by a person suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or other mind altering substances, all effort will be made to deter them from collecting/removing that child from Akoranga Preschool. It will be suggested that an emergency person will be called to meet and collect persons from Akoranga Preschool
- If serious concern for both child and adult occurs or an altercation occurs that is harmful, the police may be called.

### **CONSULTATION:**

With who? How? By when? Who? How? When?

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