



“Taking care of those who take care of others”
Health & Safety in Child & Family Welfare Organisations

Regional OHS Forums

The Centre was funded by WorkSafe Victoria to undertake a 2.5 year Occupational Health & Safety (OHS) project to improve the OHS experience of organisations providing Residential Care, Foster Care and Family Services. The sector's poor record emphasises the need for Child & Family Welfare (CFW) organisations to address the psychological and physical injuries that have an impact on the recruitment and retention of workers as well as the cost of providing quality service.

The Centre for Excellence in Child & Family Welfare will be holding a series of **Forums on Occupational Health & Safety** for CFW organisations at five regional locations. Customised for the sector, participants will learn about challenges as well as resources and guidelines to help manage Occupational Health & Safety in the workplace.

These full-day forums will serve to:

- inform employees and employers of the sector's main occupational hazards and risks, legal obligations under the OHS Act 2004 and resources to manage OHS in the workplace;
- provide a platform for feedback to identify challenges and priorities to be addressed and
- identify or establish networks for sustained communication and collaboration to advance Health & Safety in CFW organisations.

Sessions have been scheduled in the following locations:

DHS region	Date	Location
Grampians	18 Nov 2009	Horsham Wimmera Uniting Care Horizons Support Services 28 Urquhart Street Horsham Vic 3400
Barwon South-West	19 Nov 2009	Colac Elliminyt Primary School EPEE Centre 176 Main St Elliminyt Vic 3250
Gippsland	24 Nov 2009	Sale Kilmany Uniting Care 126 Raymond St Sale Vic 3850
Loddon-Mallee	26 Nov 2009	Mildura Mallee Accommodation & Support Program Judy Cricelli Conference Room 140 Langtree Ave Mildura Vic 3500
Hume	1 Dec 2009	Wangaratta Upper Murray Family Care 36 Mackay Street Wangaratta Vic 3677

TIME: 9.30am registration, 10.00am start until 3.00pm close

FOR: CEOs, HR/Business managers, program coordinators, team leaders, program staff, elected health & safety representatives and staff with a specific interest in occupational health & safety

COST: This forum is fully funded by the Centre's OHS Champion Project - includes lunch and refreshments. Free entry is subject to registration and places are limited.

For more information, please contact Kelvin Lee at 03 9614 1577 or email kelvin@cwav.asn.au.

Registration Form

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If you would like to attend, please complete the following and return at least a week before the selected forum via **fax no. 03 9614 1774** or email to **Jane Lawrence** at **jane.lawrence@cwav.asn.au**. Registrations will be confirmed by email.

Please select the session you are registering for with a tick in the box :

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