

A New Way Services INC

Safe Ministry Questionnaire –18 Years and Over

Please answer the questions below by marking the appropriate box.

If the answer to any of the following questions is “yes”, please indicate the question number, and provide relevant information regarding your response and indicate current status of the issue(s) at the end of the form or on an additional sheet if more space is required.

Please note: if you were sexually abused as a child this is not considered to be ‘sexual conduct’ for the purposes of answering question 6 of this form and does not require a “yes” answer.

1. Has your driver’s licence ever been revoked or suspended?

☐ No ☐ Yes

2. Has a child or dependent young person in your care ever been removed from your care by the authorities on the grounds that the child is at risk of harm?

☐ No ☐ Yes

3. Have you ever had an apprehended violence order, order for protection or the like issued against you as a result of allegations of violence, abuse, likely harm, harassment, or stalking?

☐ No ☐ Yes

4. As far as you are aware, have you ever had permission or authorisation to undertake paid or voluntary work with children or other vulnerable people refused, suspended or withdrawn in Australia or any other country?

☐ No ☐ Yes

5. As far as you are aware, has anyone ever made allegations against you or accused you of child abuse?

☐ No ☐ Yes

6. Have you ever engaged in any of the following conduct:

(a) Sexual conduct with someone under your care (such as a parishioner, client, patient, student, employee or subordinate)

☐ No ☐ Yes

(b) Sexual conduct with someone under the age of consent?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(c) Use, possession, production or distribution of child exploitation material?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(d) Substance abuse (including excessive alcohol consumption, or abuse of prescription, over-the-counter, recreational or illegal drugs)?

☐ No ☐ Yes

7. As far as you are aware, have you ever been accused, charged, or convicted of a criminal offence?

☐ No ☐ Yes

Definitions

Accused: When a person has reported an allegation to the Police or relevant authority that you have committed a criminal offence.

Charged: Means that the police or other government authority has accused you in writing of committing a criminal offence. Parking or speeding fines are not criminal offences.

Child Abuse: Includes bullying, emotional abuse, harassment, neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse, or spiritual abuse.

Convicted: A formal verdict from a Court of Law that you have been found guilty of a criminal offence.

Under your care: Refers to a person with whom you have a relationship where a power imbalance exists in your favour (e.g., teacher to student, adult to child, minister to parishioner).

Sexual Conduct: Includes sexually motivated touch and conversation through to sexual intercourse of any kind, physically, virtually, or electronically. *Note: If you were sexually abused as a child this is not considered "sexual conduct" for the purposes of answering Question 6.*

Age of Consent: In NSW the age of consent is 16 years, or 18 years where a person is under special care (e.g., a relative, student, patient, tenant, or someone under instruction in religion, sport, or music).

Child Exploitation Material: Material that describes or depicts a person who is, or appears to be, a child:

- engaged in a sexual activity,
- in a sexual context, or
- as the subject of torture, cruelty or abuse, in a way that a reasonable person would regard as offensive. This can include film, printed matter, electronic data, computer images or any other depiction.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____