

Notice of conditions

of provisional accreditation as a designated agency

Issued under clause 12 of Schedule 3A to the *Children's Guardian Act 2019*

KOW Services Pty Ltd (trading as Kids Out West)

ABN 12 660 245 858

Effective date: 20 September 2023

In addition to the general conditions of accreditation in Schedule 3 to the Children's Guardian Regulation 2022, the Children's Guardian has imposed the following conditions on the agency's accreditation as a designated agency.

Condition 1

This agency may arrange:

- statutory out-of-home care (residential care)
- supported out-of-home care (residential care)

Condition 2

After this agency notifies the Children's Guardian when it first makes arrangements for the provision of statutory out-of-home care, it must provide to the Children's Guardian direct evidence for assessment in accordance with the Program to meet Accreditation Criteria – Direct Evidence issued by the Children's Guardian. The direct evidence should include information relating to all subsequent statutory out-of-home care placements.

Giving false or misleading information to the Children's Guardian is a serious offence.

The Children's Guardian may shorten or cancel the agency's accreditation if it fails to comply with any of these conditions.

The Children's Guardian may publish details of failure to comply with conditions of accreditation in the Children's Guardian's Annual Report to Parliament.

Under section 154(1)(a)(ii) of the *Children's Guardian Act 2019*, a decision of the Children's Guardian to impose a condition on an accreditation or vary the conditions to which an accreditation is subject, is reviewable by the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT), following an internal review by the Children's Guardian. Further information about NCAT and internal reviews may be obtained from NCAT (phone: 1300 006 228).

The Children's Guardian has provided a copy of this Notice to the NSW Department of Communities and Justice.

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Children's Guardian