

PRIVACY POLICY

Rationale:

• Protecting the personal and health information of staff and learners is a serious moral, professional and legal responsibility that our Registered Training Organisation (RTO) recognises and accepts.

Aims:

• To collect, handle, use, store and disclose personal and health information of staff and learners in a manner compliant with the *Health Records Act 2001* and the *Information Privacy Act 2000*.

Implementation:

- Privacy protects individuals from harm resulting from misuse of their information.
- Privacy promotes effective service delivery by encouraging full and frank information provision.
- While Privacy legislation is detailed, practising privacy involves: COLLECTING only information the RTO needs.
 INFORMING people why you need the information and how we will use it.
 DISCLOSING only the information that is necessary for the purpose of the service.
 ACCESSING – providing people with access to their own records.
 SECURING information against unauthorised use or disclosure.
- All information collected at our RTO will be subjected to the above principles.
- All relevant information and records relating to will all be retained and stored in secure area in the office.
- All electronic data will be maintained, stored and transmitted in accordance with Department of Education and Training (DET) requirements and expectations.
- All records will be maintained and kept up to date by RTO administration staff.
- All requests for information stored at the RTO must be made to the RTO Manager or his/her delegate.
- Under no circumstances, will personal private information be disclosed to unauthorised people.

Evaluation:

To be reviewed as required by developments in relevant legislation or DEECD requirements etc.

This policy was ratified by School Council on

Signed By:
The Principal _____

School Council President

Date: ____/___/____

Vic Got Schools Ref Guide - http://www.education.vic.gov.au/management/governance/referenceguide/management/6_28.htm Circulars 82/2001 & 24/2002 – General Disposal Schedule for School Records PROS 01/01