

APPENDIX 3

Legislative grounds to report

Section 23 Child or young person at risk of harm

For the purposes of this Part and Part 3, a child or young person is at risk of harm if current concerns exist for the safety, welfare or wellbeing of the child or young person because of the presence of any one or more of the following circumstances:

- (a) the child's or young person's basic physical or psychological needs are not being met or are at risk of not being met
- (b) the parents or other caregivers have not arranged and are unable or unwilling to arrange for the child or young person to receive necessary medical care
- (c) the child or young person has been, or is at risk of being, physically or sexually abused or ill-treated
- (d) the child or young person is living in a household where there have been incidents of domestic violence and, as a consequence, the child or young person is at risk of serious physical or psychological harm
- (e) a parent or other caregiver has behaved in such a way towards the child or young person that the child or young person has suffered or is at risk of suffering serious psychological harm

Section 25 Prenatal reports

A person who has reasonable grounds to suspect, before the birth of a child, that the child may be at risk of harm after his or her birth may make a report.

Section 120 (1) Homelessness of children

Any person may report the homelessness of a child to the Director-General.

Section 121 Homelessness of young people

Any person may, with the consent of the young person, report the homelessness of the young person to the Director-General.

Section 122 Mandatory reporting of child who lives away from home without parental permission

A person who provides residential accommodation for another person who the person believes, on reasonable grounds:

- (a) is a child, and
- (b) is living away from home without parental permission, must immediately inform the Director-General of the child's whereabouts.