The Working with Vulnerable People and Working with Children Resources Kit provides documents and links to support you with your Regional Arts Fund application.

The Working with Vulnerable People Act exists in a number of states and territories around Australia and aims to reduce the risk of harm or neglect to vulnerable people.

The Working with Children Act is a key piece of legislation in a number of states and territories that governs how we protect and promote the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.

From 1 July 2019, Regional Arts Australia and the Commonwealth Government require that all personnel performing work (voluntary or paid) in relation to any RAF funded activity that involves children, people with disability or other vulnerable people hold the necessary police and other background checks as required by the relevant legislation in the State/Territory where the activity takes place.

RAF application forms will ask for proof of checks relevant to the legislation. Each State and Territory has its own legislation. Applicants will need to check the legislation for the State/Territory in which the project takes place.

General information about Working with Children and Vulnerable people checks:

How do I get a Working with Children or Vulnerable people check? (Hire up)

Vulnerable Persons, Police Checks and Criminal Offences (Australian Government, Department of Social Services)

Child Safety Resources

Child Safety Toolkit (Institute of Community Directors Australia)

Children in the creative process – Legal issues (Arts Law Centre of Australia)

Children in the Creative Process – Info sheets (Arts Law Centre of Australia)
*the is a sheet for each State/Territory

Accessibility Resources

Mental Health in the Workplace (Australian Human Rights Commission)

Disability etiquette (Australian Network on Disability)
State/ Territory Checks

National Police Checks (Australian Federal Police)

Australian Capital Territory
Working with vulnerable people (WWVP) registration (ACT Government)

New South Wales
Working With Children Check (NSW Government)
Criminal History Check (NSW Police Force)

Northern Territory
Working with children clearance (NT Government)
Safe NT (Northern Territory Police)

Queensland
Blue Card Services (Queensland Government)
Yellow Card (Queensland Government)
National Police Certificate (Queensland Police)

South Australia
New working with children checks (Government of South Australia)
Police Record Check (South Australia Police)

Tasmania
Apply for registration to work with vulnerable people (Tasmanian Government)
Police History Record Checks (Tasmania Police)

Victoria
Working with Children Check Victoria (Victorian Government)
National Police Record Checks (Victoria Police)

Western Australia
Working with Children Check (Government of Western Australia)
National Police Certificate (Western Australia Police Force)

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