



Expectations about the standard of care for children during reunification

Information Sheet (Attachment I)

- It is expected that Tasmanian children on an order under the Children, Young Persons and Their Families Act, 1997 are to be cared for according to certain standards being reunified with their family.
- Standard of care expected include:
 - adequate supervision of the child
 - appropriate behaviour management (this includes NO physical punishment)
 - having reasonable expectations about the child's daily routines
 - allowing the child to participate in appropriate recreational, cultural and spiritual activities
 - supporting the child to attend school, complete school homework etc
 - responding to the child's routine health needs
 - treating the child as fairly as other children in the home
 - not using language that will cause the child to be distressed
 - providing an adequate diet
 - providing adequate clothing
 - meeting the child's hygiene needs (for example, the child's bedding and clothing are to be changed on a regular basis)
 - allowing the child to have regular meetings alone with his or her Child Protection Worker
- Ensuring the child's wellbeing is not adversely affected by the behaviours of other children in the home