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SRE Safe Ministry Screening Questionnaire-18's+ (additional)

Recently, the Department of Education updated its requirements for Approved Providers to fulfil their Annual Assurance status. We have now added a part B to the Screening Questionnaire you originally filled out as part of the Baptist Association's requirements for volunteers of the Association. We won't be asking you to complete the whole form again, but you will be required to complete the following declaration to remain authorised as an SRE teacher with us. Please read, complete, and return to the SRE office as soon as possible.

PART B- Department of Education Declaration (please tick the check boxes below)

The Department of Education requires that all non-employees who are permitted to teach Special Religious Education/Special Education in Ethics in its schools be appropriate and responsible persons. As an SRE teacher you are required to complete the following declaration.

I declare that:

- ☐ I have a current NSW Working with Children Check clearance and have provided it to the Baptist Association as my Approved Provider with my date of birth for them to verify as part of their processes.
- ☐ At the time of engagement, I have no criminal convictions within the meaning of the Criminal Records Act 1991. I understand that 'conviction' defined in the Act includes a conviction, whether summary or on indictment for an offence, and includes a finding or order that an offence has been proved, or that a person is guilty of an offence, without proceeding to conviction.
- ☐ I am not subject to any pending court proceedings relating to a criminal matter in Australia or overseas.
- ☐ I have no convictions that cannot become spent within the meaning of the Criminal Records Act 1991 including but not limited to:
 - convictions for which a prison sentence of more than six months has been imposed, or
 - convictions of sexual offences.

I agree that by signing this declaration:

- ☐ The Baptist Association as my Approved Provider may share this information with the NSW Department of Education when requested.
- ☐ If, during my engagement as an SRE/SEE teacher, and I become a subject of any allegations and/or charges of a criminal matter, court proceedings and/or incur a conviction, I have an obligation to notify the Baptist Association as my Approved Provider. I give permission to the Baptist Association to disclose this information to the NSW Department of Education and I understand that I may be subject to undertake a Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check (NCCHC) for a risk assessment.

CONSENT TO HOLD INFORMATION & DECLARATION

I consent to the information contained in this application, including any subsequent pages, to be kept by the Baptist Association. I understand that this information will be kept in a confidential file and used only for screening purposes.

DECLARATION

I,sincerely declare that:

- The information I have provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- I understand that if I provide false or misleading information or withhold relevant information from this questionnaire, the Baptist Association along with the department of Education, may determine that I am unsuitable to serve as an SRE teacher and my authorisation to be revoked.
- I have received a copy of the *Code of Conduct* and am willing to uphold it.

Applicant's signature:Date:

If you wish to discuss with the SRE Team Leader or Standards Manager of the Baptist Association before completing this form,