

## Sun Safe – Policy QO181-2

### AIM

Children experience an environment where their health is promoted and where they are kept safe from harm (Te Whāriki)

### IN TERMS ONE AND FOUR, STAFF AT ŌTĀTARA CHILDREN'S CENTRE WILL

- Provide hats for children to wear when outside
- Encourage children to wear hats when outside
- Ask that parents apply sunscreen to their children in the morning
- Apply sunscreen to any children who have arrived without sunscreen
- Reapply sunscreen after lunch
- Set up play experiences in the shade
- Provide shade covers over sandpit areas and over main Te Pihinga outdoor play space
- Encourage the health and growth of shady trees in the playground
- Model sun safe practices, e.g. wearing of hats while outside

### MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Ongoing evaluation to include:

1. Regular reminders to parents to provide and name sunhats, protective clothing, etc
2. Encouraging the development of children's self-help skills in relation to hats and sunscreen application, and protective clothing
3. Promoting children's awareness of sun-safe behaviour, e.g. wearing their hats, sunscreen and appropriate clothing and playing in the shade.

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