

Sun Safe – Policy QO181-2

1. AIM

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

2. 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

3. 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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