

## CF&KC-SA Board Member

Connecting Foster & Kinship Carers SA (CF&KC-SA) aims to improve the lives of children and young people in care through provision of services addressing four key themes: advocate, support, connect and inform. As peak body for foster & kinship carers (Carers) we are committed to ensuring that the voice of our Carers is heard, and their rights are upheld.

<b>Volunteer role</b>	Board Member
<b>Purpose of role</b>	<p>The Board Member is required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Act on behalf, and in the best interests, of the organisation and it's members</li> <li>• Set the organisation's direction and goals including by participating in the strategic planning and review process</li> <li>• Set and review organisational policy</li> <li>• Understand the different between governance and management so as not to interfere in the operational issues which are the domain of management</li> <li>• Attend regular board meetings and be adequately prepared to participate fully and frankly in decisions</li> <li>• Attend other ad hoc meetings such as training sessions and planning days</li> <li>• Make best efforts to help out at social functions and special projects when required</li> </ul>
<b>Key responsibilities</b>	<p>As a Board Member you are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use your abilities and experience fully</li> <li>• Be able to articulate the organisations strategy</li> <li>• Know the organisation's services and operations</li> <li>• Have a working knowledge of the organisation's financial accounts</li> <li>• Be aware of our organisation and its members' community interests</li> <li>• Have a current understanding of the Child Protection sector</li> <li>• Understand the legal and regulatory environment in which the organisation operates</li> <li>• Work constructively with all other board members</li> <li>• Comply with confidentially requirements</li> <li>• Be an available resource to management and the board</li> <li>• At board level, speak and act independently of management</li> <li>• Where required, communicate with the Chair or CEO between meetings</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advise the Chair in advance if you wish to introduce significant information or material at a board meeting</li> <li>• Obtain the Chair or the board's authority before representing the organisation in any way</li> <li>• Be an effective ambassador of the organisation</li> <li>• Advise the Chair as soon as possible if you are not able to continue your role as a board member</li> <li>• Be responsible for the health and safety of yourself and others</li> <li>• Comply with the organisation's policies and procedures</li> </ul>
<b>Training requirements</b>	Organisation induction package including policies and procedures and a CF&KC-SA non-disclosure agreement.
<b>Volunteer benefits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reimbursement of expenses related to attending board meeting (i.e. mileage)</li> <li>• Access any organisational information you require to adequately serve as a board member</li> <li>• Be respected and valued</li> <li>• Be involved with CF&amp;KC-SA</li> <li>• Improve your communication and teamwork skills</li> <li>• Gain a deeper understanding of Carer issues and improve their experience in the child protection system through a governance lens</li> </ul>
<b>Other requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current SAPOL issued National Police Check</li> <li>• Current Working With Children check</li> <li>• Access to phone, email and internet</li> </ul>

For further information regarding this position, please contact the CF&KC-SA Board Chairperson, Megan Hender via email: [megan@meganhender.com.au](mailto:megan@meganhender.com.au)