

**Department of Education**

**Instrument of Authorisation**

**Director-General's Powers**

**under**

***Child Protection Act 1999***

(Version 10 – August 2023)

*NOTE: In accordance with the Managing delegations, authorisations and administrative approvals procedure, legislative delegations are centrally managed by Policy and Statutory Engagement. Policy and Statutory Engagement must be contacted for all proposed amendments to these authorisations.*

# INSTRUMENT OF AUTHORISATION

## *Child Protection Act 1999*

I, Michael De'Ath, Director-General of the Department of Education, AUTHORISE the persons who are from time to time the holders of the position specified in **Column 4** of Schedule 1, to exercise those powers and functions conferred or imposed on me as Chief-Executive or the Department under the provisions of the *Child Protection Act 1999*, which are specified in **Column 1** of the Schedule 1, subject to the limitations (if any) specified in **Column 3** of Schedule 1.

This Instrument of Authorisation is comprised of this page, and Schedule 1 comprising 1 page.

This Instrument of Authorisation revokes and replaces any Instrument of Authorisation previously issued with respect to the powers and functions of the Director-General under the *Child Protection Act 1999*, set out in Schedule 1.



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**MICHAEL DE'ATH**  
**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

DATED AT BRISBANE THIS 22 day of August, 2023.

**SCHEDULE 1 – Table of Persons Authorised to do actions and make decisions under the *Child Protection Act 1999***

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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
Reference	Description of Authority	Observations / Limitations	Authorised Persons
<b>Chapter 5A Service delivery coordination and information sharing</b>			
<b>Part 3 The SCAN system</b>			
s.159K	<p><b>Members</b></p> <p>The members of the SCAN system are—</p> <p>(a) the following entities (the <i>core members</i>)—</p> <p>(i) the chief executive;</p> <p>(ii) the chief executive of the department mainly responsible for public health;</p> <p>(iii) the chief executive of the department mainly responsible for education;</p> <p>(iv) the police commissioner; and</p> <p>(b) from time to time, other prescribed entities or service providers contributing to the operation of the system by invitation of the core members.</p> <p><i>SCAN</i> stands for ‘Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect’.</p>	<p>The authorised officers are to represent the chief executive of the Department of Education as a member of SCAN teams and to act in accordance with s.159L in exercising the responsibilities of a member of SCAN.</p> <p>Authorised officers should follow procedures outlined in the <i>SCAN Team System Manual</i>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Director, Student Protection and Wellbeing</li> <li>• Director, Student Protection</li> <li>• Director, Student, Child and Family Connect</li> <li>• Director, Student Services</li> <li>• Senior Guidance Officer</li> <li>• Principal Advisor, Student Protection</li> <li>• Principal Advisor, Education Services</li> <li>• Principal Advisor, Regional Services</li> <li>• Director Regional Services</li> <li>• Director, Education Services</li> <li>• Principal Education Officer, Student Services</li> <li>• Executive Director, Early Childhood Regulatory Authority</li> <li>• Director, Regulation, Early Childhood Regulatory Authority</li> <li>• Manager, Regulation, Early Childhood Regulatory Authority</li> </ul>