



STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

1. Stretch-A-Family's primary responsibility is to the young people in its program.
2. Stretch-A-Family recognises and supports the "United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child"
3. Stretch-A-Family operates within state and federal legislation pertaining to the care and protection of children and young people, and provides its services in accordance with relevant standards.
4. Stretch-A-Family recognises the need for non-government substitute care services for young people, including foster care and will advocate for adequate government funding for such services and for foster carers attached to these services.
5. Each young person has a right to a stable and supportive long-term living environment. Stretch-A-Family will assist young people to explore all appropriate and available stable living options.
6. Stretch-A-Family strives to provide the optimum service to the young people who are accepted into its program and to their families of origin where appropriate or applicable

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