# Child Safeguarding Policy for Cre8iv Talent Agency & Management

#### Introduction

 CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management is committed to creating a safe and nurturing environment for all children and young people involved in our organisation. We recognise our responsibility to protect their well-being, ensure their safety, and promote their best interests. This Child Safeguarding Policy outlines our commitment to preventing and responding to child abuse, exploitation, and other forms of harm.

#### **Definitions**

- 2. For the purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:
- a. Child: A person under the age of 18 years.
- b. Child Abuse: Any act or omission that endangers or impairs the physical or emotional health, development, or dignity of a child.
- c. Exploitation: The use of a child for someone else's benefit, often resulting in harm to the child's physical, emotional, or psychological well-being.
- d. Staff: All individuals employed by or volunteering with CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management, including directors, agents, employees, contractors, and interns.

## <u>Responsibilities</u>

- 3. a. CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management will appoint a designated Safeguarding Officer responsible for the implementation and oversight of child safeguarding policies and procedures.
- 4. b. All staff members will receive training on child safeguarding, recognising signs of abuse, and reporting procedures.
- c. Staff members are responsible for reporting any concerns or suspicions of child abuse or exploitation to the designated Safeguarding Officer.

# **Recruitment and Vetting**

6. a. All staff members, including directors, agents, employees, contractors, and interns, will undergo a comprehensive

- background check as a condition of employment or engagement.
- 7. b. References will be obtained and checked before employment or engagement.
- 8. c. CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management will require staff members to provide relevant identification documents and proof of eligibility to work with children.

#### **Code of Conduct**

- 9. a. All staff members will adhere to a code of conduct that outlines expected behaviours when working with children and young people.
- 10. b. The code of conduct will include guidelines for appropriate physical contact, communication, and confidentiality.
- 11. c. Staff members will be required to maintain appropriate professional boundaries and avoid any behavior that may be misconstrued or potentially harmful to a child.

## **Reporting Procedures**

- 12. a. Any staff member who suspects or becomes aware of child abuse, exploitation, or any form of harm must immediately report it to the designated Safeguarding Officer.
- 13. b. The Safeguarding Officer will follow established reporting procedures and ensure that appropriate actions are taken promptly.
- 14. c. Staff members making reports will be protected from reprisals and will be treated with respect and confidentiality.

### **Confidentiality and Information Sharing**

- 15. a. CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management will handle all information regarding child safeguarding cases with the utmost confidentiality, ensuring it is shared only with relevant individuals involved in the investigation or support process.
- 16. b. Information will be shared in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, including data protection and child protection legislation.

# **Training and Awareness**

17. a. CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management will provide regular training sessions on child safeguarding to all staff members.

- 18. b. Training will include recognising signs of abuse, reporting procedures, and best practices for creating a safe environment for children.
- 19. c. Staff members will be informed about this Child Safeguarding Policy and their responsibilities under it.

### **Review and Monitoring**

- 20. a. This Child Safeguarding Policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure its effectiveness and compliance with relevant laws and regulations.
- 21. b. CRE8IV Talent Agency & Management will implement monitoring mechanisms to identify any potential gaps or issues in safeguarding practices and take corrective actions as necessary.

## **Communication and Reporting**

22. a. This Child Safeguarding Policy will be readily available to staff members, children, parents, and other stakeholders associated