# New Generation Advocate

### Are you ready to make a change?

We are looking for young people who want to help change things for children and young people who experience the child protection system.

Your voice is important and we want to work with you.

You don’t need any experience, just your voice and ideas!

If you are **15 to 25 years old** and are **in, or have been in Care**, you can be a New Generation Advocate. You will be supported to have your say on topics that are important to you and help us improve how we work with children and young people.

What will you do?

As part of DCP’s Child and Youth Engagement Strategy, you will:

* work on projects that will help us to better listen and work with children and young people
* have the opportunity to share your views and provide feedback on different programs in the department
* work with an awesome group of young people to help make positive changes in the department.

By being a New Generation Advocate you will have the opportunity to develop your skills in leadership and communication and learn how you can use your voice to make a difference.

If you want to hear more, talk with us on **0456 690 146** or email [DCPCYEProgram@sa.gov.au](mailto:DCPCYEProgram@sa.gov.au)

What do you get out if it?

You will meet and work with other young people who may have similar experiences as you. You will be supported in developing your confidence and skills in areas such as; project work, communication and advocacy. The skills and experience that you gain may further help you in your professional and personal development.

You will learn about the department and how decisions are made, but most importantly you will learn how you can use your voice to speak up and improve the system for other children and young people.

## Expression of Interest

# No Capes for Change - New Generation Advocate

The New Generation Advocate role is a lived experience role with the No Capes for Change group in DCP. The role works alongside the Child and Youth Engagement team and is important in working together on activities that support the work of the Child and Youth Engagement Strategy.

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| **Your contact details** | |
| Name: | Date of birth: |
| Home address: | |
| Email: | Mobile number: |
| How would you like to be contacted? (mobile/ email): | |

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| **About you** | **Please tick if your answer is ‘yes’** |
| I am aged 15 to 25 years | 🞏 |
| I have been in the care of the Chief Executive of the Department for Child Protection or under Guardianship of the Minister | 🞏 |
| I am interested in working in a team | 🞏 |
| I am interested in working with the Department for Child Protection and improving experiences for children and young people | 🞏 |
| I have people in my life who can help provide me with practical and personal support during my time on the No Capes for Change Group | 🞏 |
| What is your cultural background? | |
| Do you have a disability or medical condition that you would like us to be aware of?  🞏 Yes 🞏 No  If yes, please tell us what type of support you would need from us to help you in this role. | |

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| **Questions for you** |
| Have you been involved in a team before? This could involve being a part of a work team, a sports team, dance, music or school group.  If yes, what did you like best about it? |
| Please tell us why you want to be part of the No Capes for Change Group in DCP? |
| Is there anything more you would like to tell us about you? |
| How did you find out about No Capes for Change? |

Next steps:

We will be in touch with you to make a time to catch up and have a chat. We can do this at a place that you choose and with someone you feel supported by.

We want to learn more about you and may ask you some questions about your interest in being involved. You can also ask us some questions too!