

Redress Scheme for survivors of institutional child sexual abuse

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Information about the Redress Scheme for survivors of institutional child sexual abuse

In November 2016 the Australian Government advised it would be establishing a Redress Scheme for survivors of institutional childhood sexual abuse.

The following information has been made available about the scheme:

1. Once the law setting up the scheme has gone through, the scheme will start in 2018.
2. Survivors who experienced childhood sexual abuse in Commonwealth, NSW, Victorian or ACT government institutions will be able to access redress under the scheme.
3. The scheme will offer the following:-
 - i. A monetary payment up to \$150,000; and
 - ii. psychological counselling support; and
 - iii. if requested, a direct personal acknowledgment and response from the responsible institution.
4. Survivors who have received redress under other schemes can still apply to this scheme, however prior relevant payments may be taken into account.
5. No-one can apply until the scheme starts.
6. A dedicated telephone helpline and website will be available to provide information to survivors about the scheme.
7. The Australian Government is strongly encouraging the other states and territories and all relevant institutions to opt in to the scheme.

More information is available at www.dss.gov.au/redress or by phoning the National Redress Information Line – 1800 146 713

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