



Australian Government

Department of Social Services

## Public Interest Certificate

This *public interest certificate* is issued under section 22(1) of the *Government Procurement (Judicial Review) Act 2018 (the Act)*.

I, Liz Hefren-Webb, a delegate of the accountable authority for the Department of Social Services (**DSS**), confirm that it is not in the public interest for the procurement specified in this certificate to be suspended while:

- a. complaints under section 18 of the Act are being investigated; or
- b. while applications for injunctions under Part 2 of the Act are being considered.

<b>AusTender ID(s)</b>	70012731
<b>Description</b>	1800RESPECT – phone and online counselling and information for people impacted by family, domestic and sexual violence.
<b>Procuring Entity</b>	Department of Social Services
<b>Contact Officer</b>	Stephanie Rake [REDACTED] 1800Procurement@dss.gov.au
<b>Category (UNSPSC)</b>	85121608 – Psychological Services

**Liz Hefren-Webb**

Deputy Secretary

Families and Communities

Department of Social Services

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I, Liz Hefren Webb, as the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Social Services (DSS), as a duly authorised delegate of the accountable authority for DSS, being the Secretary of DSS, hereby state that it is not in the public interest for the following procurement by DSS to be suspended while complaints under section 18 of the Act are being investigated or while applications for injunctions under Part 2 of the Act are being considered.

#### Accountable Authority Delegate Approval

As a duly authorised delegate of the Secretary of DSS, I approve the issue of the Public Interest Certificate, as I have formed the view that a delay to the covered procurement would cause a real adverse impact to the public interest in relation to health, national security, safety, public security or the economical or financial wellbeing of the people of Australia or the functioning of DSS.

Signature of delegate:

AusTender ID(s)	ATM 70012731
Tender(s) Close Date and Time	30 April 2020, 2:00PM (ACT Local Time)
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Liz Hefren-Webb

Deputy Secretary the Department of Social Services

15 January 2020