



Commissioner for Children

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Press statement for immediate release

Staff recruitment for the Office of the Commissioner for Children

The Office of the Commissioner for Children is inviting applications from child rights champions for three positions by 27 November 2020. The positions will establish the Investigations and Advice sub-directorate in the Office. The staff will support the Commissioner to fulfil her power to investigate complaints about government services and conduct research that will inform laws, policy and practice. This capacity will enable the Commissioner to manage enquiries and complaints received by the Office in a more systematic and professional manner. This information will allow the Commissioner to provide strategic advice and recommendations to government to better align to a child rights approach.

The three positions are for a Children's Commissioner Officer, an Assistant Director and a Deputy Director. Applications are processed online only via www.westerncape.gov.za/jobs, under the auspices of the Premier's Office. The staff will be government employees subject to the Public Service Administration and the Commissioner for Children Acts. The Commissioner says: "It is very important to me that the candidates ascribe to our Constitutional values and have the highest level of integrity. For this reason, candidates will need police clearance and will be checked against the child protection and sex offenders' registers."

It is anticipated that staff comes on board as soon as possible in 2021. The Commissioner says: "I am looking forward to growing my team of child rights champions to give effect to the vision and intent of my Office."

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