





Charter of support

This charter demonstrates the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network's (SCHN) and the Sydney Children's Hospitals Foundation (SCHF) shared commitment to ethical philanthropic practices.

It supports our strategic mission – to inspire community investment for best health outcomes for all children and young people helping them live their healthiest lives.

Philanthropy plays a unique role enhancing health care and is about how we come together as communities to create solutions and pursue innovation that cannot be met by the public sector alone.

SCHF works with SCHN to understand where the needs are greatest and matches clinical and care teams with philanthropic partners, focusing efforts where patients and families benefit most.

Risk assessment

Philanthropic support for SCHN is guided by SCHF, who are responsible for managing donors. SCHF considers the legal and reputational rights of existing and future donors as part of the due diligence undertaken in assessing proposed gifts and donations.

This charter of support determines the criteria used to jointly mitigate risk of any donations with the potential to negatively impact the reputation and standing of both organisations.

Criteria for joint risk assessment

To manage any risk to our joint strategic mission, there will be a standing agenda item on the monthly Financial Advisory Working Group (FAWG) meeting to review any gifts which may:

- pose a reasonable risk to the reputation of SCHF and/or SCHN
- have incompatible vision, purpose, and values with SCHF and/or SCHN

A final decision on gifts meeting the criteria outlined above will be made by the Gift Review Committee which includes representatives from both SCHN and SCHF's Boards and Executive.

SCHN and SCHF will not engage with any individuals, businesses or organisations involved in the following activities (but not limited to) including:

- slavery, including child slavery
- weapon industries
- tobacco industries
- pornography or adult content creation (online and offline or exploitation)
- harm to Aboriginal communities.