Who should report a child safety concern?
Everyone associated with the University has a responsibility to report a child safety concern, including staff, students, parents, volunteers, and visitors.

What child safety concerns should be reported?
Report any child safety concerns, including:
- Disclosure from a child regarding abuse or harm or a reasonable belief that abuse or harm has occurred or may occur
- Observation, suspicion or allegation of a child safety concern
- Breach of relevant University policies or codes of conduct, including the Child Safety Policy
- Physical environment safety issues, including risk to health and hygiene.

Do you believe a child is in IMMEDIATE danger?

YES
Is the child on-campus?

YES
Call Campus Security 8344 6666
AND report to Safer Community Program

NO
Call Police 000
AND report to Safer Community Program

NO
Report your concern to the Safer Community Program for further advice
T: 61 3 9035 8675
E: safer-community@unimelb.edu.au
The Safer Community Program will advise the University’s Child Safety Officer and arrangements will be made for appropriate support and action.

What is abuse or harm?
Abuse or harm can include: sexual abuse or assault, physical violence, grooming a child with the intent to abuse, serious emotional or psychological abuse, and/or serious neglect.

What is a reasonable belief?
A reasonable belief is not the same as having proof, but is more than speculation.

What is a physical environment safety issue?
Environmental Safety issues can include: hazards in a child’s physical environment that could lead to trips or falls, exposure to potentially dangerous equipment, materials, and substances (such as chemicals), or exposure to substances that pose a risk of cross-infection.