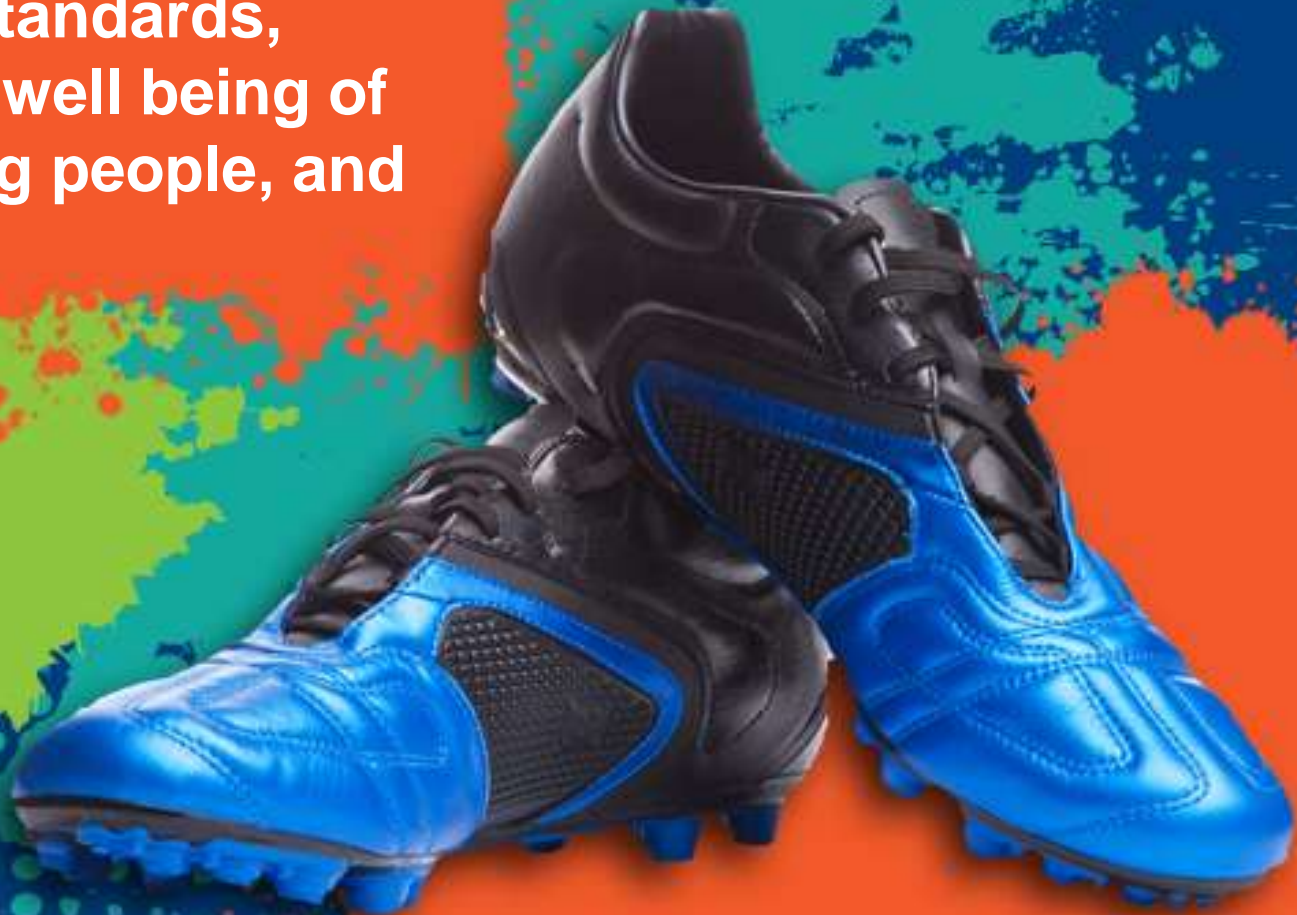


The NSW OOHC Standards,
Accreditation, the well being of
children and young people, and
... soccer boots.



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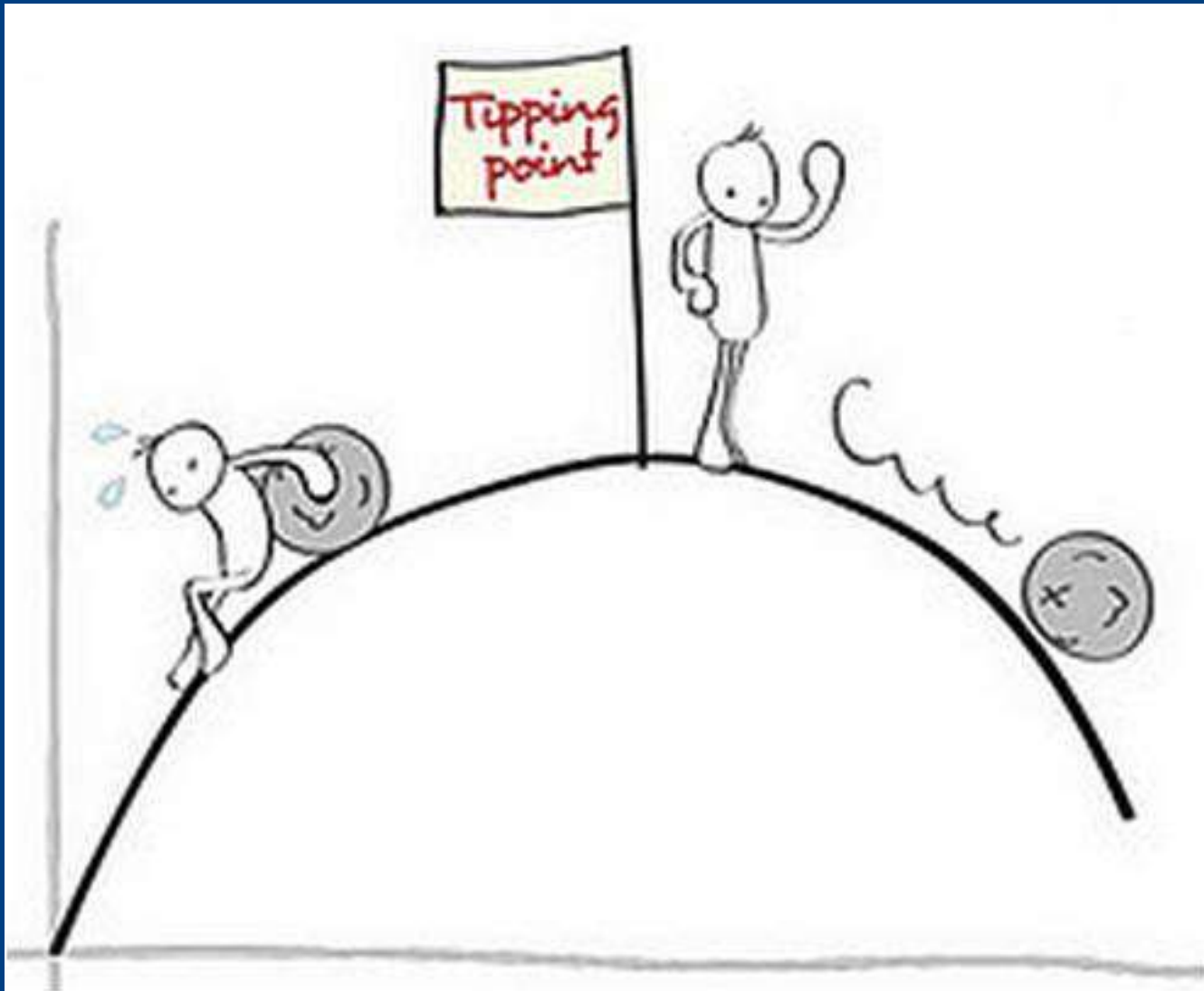
“Getting the paper work right - and the practice wrong”



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Key function

- to promote the best interests of all children and young persons in out-of home-care & ensure their rights are safeguarded

Regulatory role

- to accredit (license) out-of-home care service providers against the NSW OOHC Standards – both government and non-government – quality system link to the care and protection legislation
- to monitor agencies to ensure that they continue to meet the OOHC Standards – the case file audit.

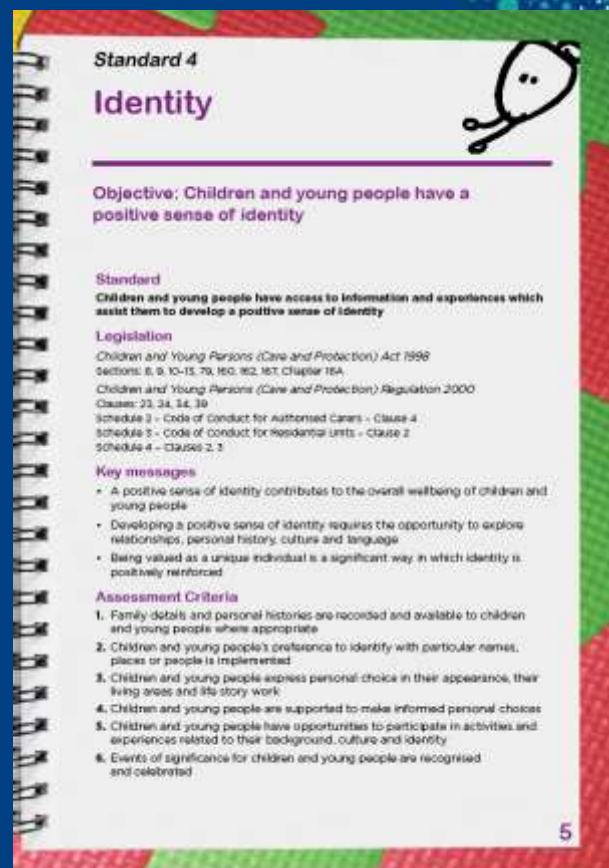


NSW Out-of-Home Care Standards

- The Standards were in 2009 updated to:
 - Incorporate contemporary research
 - Align with the rights of children and young people
 - Focus on outcomes
- The Standards were reduced in number from 50 to 22
- Draft National OOHC Standards cover the same areas

The layout of the Standards is streamlined

- The Objective
- The Standard
- The applicable Legislation
- Key messages from research
- The Assessment Criteria



**System
Compliance**

**Child Centred
Outcome Focus**

Pass/Fail



Strengths Based

Out-of Home Care Health Standards

NSW Standard 9 – Health

- Objective:
Children and young people are healthy and have access to appropriate health and support services
- Standard:
Children and young people’s health and developmental needs are addressed
- Reflects National OOHC Standard 4

Health Case File Audit – Collaboration with Health



- 2008-10 Audit over 2 years focus on health
 - physical
 - emotional
 - mental health
- NSW Health Keep Them Safe (KTS) out-of-home care research advisory group
- Captured 32 additional items of health related information on almost 1000 files

A preview of findings

- less than a quarter (178) had an initial health assessment within 60 days of entering their placement.
- Medical histories of children and young people were available on just over a third of all files.
- 39% (1361) of files indicated a current health problem, 32% (1097) indicated a dental problem.
- 13% of children and young people had medical conditions such as asthma, diabetes, epilepsy and severe allergies.
- 39% had mental health or behavioural problems.



Challenges:

- The movement of children in OOHC from the government to the non government sector – transition plan
- The role of the peak agencies who are now in the leadership ‘box seat’
- How NGO’s will plan for growth and work together
- How systems will transfer – from highly centralised to decentralised, locally based systems
- What will be the impact on inter - agency collaboration

“The Funding Challenge”





Our ultimate challenge:

- How do we make the child's best interest paramount? So that we restore children to their families quickly when it is possible – *or*
- Where this is not possible, we place children and young people in stable long term care arrangements.



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