

Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory

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Voices: What children have told us - Child Protection

The Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory has today published *Voices: What children have told us – Child Protection*.

In order to inquire into, and make recommendations about, the child protection systems in the NT we wanted to hear directly from children who have experienced the child protection system.

The children have spoken about their involvement in the child protection system, what they think works and what doesn't – in a frank way.

The Commission is very grateful to them all for sharing their experiences and acknowledges their courage in coming forward.

Voices: What children have told us – Child Protection sets out some of the things that children have spoken about. These are their words. This is how they feel. It is important to allow their voices to be heard.

To protect the identity of the children they have been given a pseudonym and any identifying material has been removed. The statements or recorded stories of all the children are on the Commission website. The Commission does not comment here on the content of their words.

This is the first in the *Voices* series, others will focus on detention and community perspectives.

Voices: What children have told us - Child Protection can be found on the Royal Commission website.