PROVIDER SAFETY SNAP

YOUR GO-TO GUIDE

Explore essential factors to consider, from accommodation and catering to facilitation, activities, and transport for your next youth or school trip.
Ask for evidence for the following:

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Accommodation

Checking accommodation facilities is crucial for safety and compliance. It ensures adherence to regulations, fire safety, emergency plans, risk assessments, security, and industry standards, providing a safe and legal environment for youth and school groups.

- Compliance with Occupational Health and Safety Act or relevant local municiple regulations.
- Generic accommodation risk assessments.
- Registration with appropriate regulatory bodies, for example SA AIA.
- General emergency or evacuation plan.
- Fire safety and evacuation plan.
- Security assessment and provisions.

Transport Providers

Checking these aspects for transport providers is essential to ensure the safety and reliability of camp transportation, guaranteeing legal qualifications, insurance, safety policies, and vehicle maintenance for secure and compliant services.

- Proof of drivers' possession of the appropriate licenses and permits.
- Proof of appropriate passenger liability and vehicle insurance.
- Driver safety and training policy.
- Proof of vehicle registration, licensing, and COR
- Proof of regular inspections and services.

Catering

Ensure catering facilities meet hygiene, environmental, and dietary requirements for a safe and inclusive youth or school trip.

- Compliance with local hygiene regulations or where these are absent that adequate levels of hygiene are maintained.
- Adherence to reasonable environmental practices in terms of purchasing, processing, and waste management.
- Ability to cater for religious, cultural, or specific diets.

Activity Providers

Ensure the provider is equipped with essential safety measures, including public liability coverage, staff training and vetting, risk assessments, and emergency protocols. These precautions guarantee a secure and compliant environment for activities during the trip.

- Adequate public liability cover.
- Safeguarding policy.
- Staff vetting and disclosure procedures.
- Staff training and/or qualifications and/or assessment policy and procedures.
- Generic and/or specific risk assessments on all activities.
- General emergency and medical emergency management procedures.
- Appropriate 1st aid training and resources present.
- Equipment service and inspection logs.
- Compliance with appropriate regulations, eg: Tour Guide registration etc.

Ensure the safety and success of your youth and school trip adventures!

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