

INQUIRY INTO CHILD PROTECTION

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I feel that with increasing numbers of children being removed that perhaps your policy is wrong.

Your partnership with Barnardos and the fact that they are actively recruiting prospective adoptive parents online and using photos of children in their advertising campaign I find unprofessional and offensive. Are they profit driven?

what checks and balances do you have in place?

Have you as a government considered that your whole policy/system maybe wrong.

The FaCs staff have experience in dealing with court action and legal support whereas the young parents have no court experience or the money to employ lawyers.

Your governments obsession with promoting adoption is just plain wrong.

Over \$2 million given to the University of Sydney to investigate streamlining of adoption is such a waste.

How on earth could you expect a young woman whose child has been removed to get her act together when you have taken the most important thing, her baby, from her.

I am concerned that the original purpose of adoption, finding an orphan a home, has morphed into creating families for the infertile.

If you continue down this path you are at risk of creating a new forced adoption era or another stolen generation.

It is not the job of the poor to provide children for the wealthy. Your job, in my opinion, is to protect and support the most vulnerable and ensure family preservation.

There are plenty of adopted people from the 1960's and 70's speaking out about how wrong adoption is. Please head their advice.

Adoption is not a panacea for reducing the cost of foster care and out of home care.

If you think adoption is wonderful, which one of your children can I have?