***District 5520 Statements for Working with Youth***

***New Generations Service***

**Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth**

District 5520 and Rotary International strives to create and maintain a safe environment for all youth who participate in Rotary activities. To the best of their ability, Rotarians, Rotarians’ spouse and partners, and other volunteers must safeguard the children and young people they come into contact with and protect them from physical, sexual, and emotional abuse.

**Abuse and Harassment Prevention**

District 5520 and Rotary International have a zero-tolerance policy toward abuse and harassment. District 5520 will maintain a Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth and incorporate the RI guidelines for abuse and harassment prevention established by the General Secretary. District 5520 strongly encourages its Clubs to establish their own policies to include these guiding documents.

**Failure to Comply with Youth Protections Laws**

A Club must, in a timely manner, appropriately address any allegations that one of its members involved in Rotary-related youth programs has violated youth protection laws. Any Club that fails to do so may have its membership suspended or terminated by the RI Board.

**Contact Information**

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