

## Entry and Exclusion Criteria

### Policy

Dunlea Centre's residential program aims to provide a high quality, voluntary family preservation service, which maintains a focus on restoration. Specific criteria for enrolment is set in order to maximise success for young people and their families.

### Criteria

The residential program is aimed at students and families who meet the following criteria:

- The student must be in Years 7 to 10
- The family must reside in the Sydney Metropolitan area or Illawarra region
- The student must be living in a family setting or with long term carers
- The student and family are seeking support in family preservation; often involving help with behaviour management, conduct, parenting skills and other relationship issues

Dunlea Centre will make all possible adjustments to include eligible students who have physical and intellectual disabilities.

Exclusions to the program pertain to students who have:

- Major drug/alcohol addiction
- Extreme sexualised behaviour
- Major psychiatric conditions
- A need for supplementary support from other agencies/specialists who provide intervention beyond Dunlea Centre's expertise

Exclusion to the program is not limited to the above reasons.

Eligibility for Dunlea Centre is confirmed through the assessment process. The assessment process is outlined in the **Initial Access, Assessment, Placement and Referral Policy**.

Should a student start the program and elements of eligibility change, efforts will be made to maintain the placement if appropriate.

