CSNSW and Public Interest Disclosures

A public interest disclosure (PID) is a disclosure about serious wrongdoing in the public sector that serves the public interest.

Corrective Services NSW promotes a culture that encourages and supports staff to report serious wrongdoing. This is essential in maintaining the integrity of CSNSW and the public sector. The official framework that protects this proactive culture is:

- Public Interest Disclosures Act 2022 (NSW)
- DCJ Public Interest Disclosure Policy

Authorisation of functions to another agency

Under section 81(2) of the *Public Interest Disclosures Act 2022* ('PID Act'), an agency may arrange for another agency to exercise their functions under the PID Act on their behalf.

In accordance with section 81(2) of the PID Act, Corrective Services NSW has authorised the Department of Communities and Justice to:

- exercise CSNSW's functions under the PID Act on behalf of CSNSW; and
- delegate all functions of CSNSW (except for responsibilities under sections 34, 61 and 80) including:
    - receiving voluntary PIDs,
    - dealing with voluntary PIDs by investigating relevant serious wrongdoing,
    - the provision of training to CSNSW staff under section 48 of the PID Act and providing the annual return to the NSW Ombudsman.

A link to the policy can be found here: DCJ Public Interest Disclosure Policy