



# Timaru Christian School Procedures

## **C5 - Health Education**

The Education Standards Act (2001) requires schools to consult "once in each two years" on the delivery of the health curriculum, and to adopt a statement on the consultation process.

All schools then need to implement the health curriculum. Individual parents however, may request that their children be excluded from tuition of parts of the health programme related to sexuality education.

### **Consultation on the Health Curriculum**

The purpose of the health consultation process is to:

- ▶ Inform the school community about the content of the health curriculum;
- ▶ Ascertain the wishes of the school community regarding the way in which the health curriculum should be implemented, given the views, beliefs, and customs of the members of that community; and
- ▶ Determine in broad terms, the health education needs of the students at the school.

A board may adopt any method of consultation that it considers appropriate but it may not adopt a statement on the delivery of the health curriculum until it has:

- ▶ Prepared the statement in draft; and
- ▶ Given members of the school community an adequate opportunity to comment on the draft statement; and
- ▶ Considered any comments received.