

PRIVACY POLICY

INTRODUCTION

This Privacy Policy outlines how Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute as a Nationally Recognised Registered Training Organisation uses and manages personal information provided to or collected by the business. Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute is bound by the National Privacy Principles contained in the Privacy Act 1988 and Privacy Act Amendments 2014.

Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute may, from time to time, review and update this Privacy Policy to take account of new laws and technologies, changes to the business operations and practices and to make sure the policy remains appropriate to the changing Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute business environment.

The easiest way to follow this policy is to remember one simple rule: **never give out confidential and or private information about a Learner, employee or client** unless it's to an authorised person. This means not even to family members – there is no way of knowing a person's family situation, and that person has the right to withhold private information from their family members.

In this policy "Employees" is a collective term used to refer to all employees including the General Manager, consultants or fixed term contractors performing work for Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure all employees are aware of their responsibilities and obligations in respect to protecting the privacy of Learners, employees and client held data and to provide clarity around circumstances where Learners, employees and client personal information can be provided to third parties.

RESPONSIBILITY

The General Manager is responsible for implementation of this policy and procedure, the Head of Education and Training is responsible for the management of this policy and ensuring that all staff is fully trained in its operation.

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PRIVACY OBLIGATIONS

As a Learner, you may volunteer or be exposed to information which can be used to personally identify you or another Learner, including but not limited to a Learner's name, age, occupation, marital status, health, sexual orientation, religious affiliation, or opinions (Private Information). Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute makes use of such Private Information only where needed to comply with the Australian Quality Framework.

You agree never to disclose or make any use of the Private Information of another Learner other than to the extent required for your participation in the nationally recognised training.

POLICY

The principles behind this policy are:

- All Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute held data, that identifies a Learner or employee is available to employees with appropriate authorisation on a restricted access basis.
- The amount of personal information held by Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute is strictly limited to that which is required for Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute to conduct its business of enrolment, progress and monitoring of Learners and employment of employees.
- Learners or employees have the right of access to their personal information retained by Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute and to correct the information where relevant.
- Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute will hold Learner or employee data in secure databases so as to protect the integrity of the personal information.
- Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute respects the individual's right to privacy and undertakes to keep personal information in confidence.

WHAT KIND OF PERSONAL INFORMATION DOES SYDNEY BEAUTY AND DERMAL INSTITUTE COLLECT AND HOW IS THE INFORMATION COLLECTED

- The type of information Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute collects and retains, includes but is not limited to, personal information, including sensitive information, about:
 - Learners and their parents and/or guardians ('parents') before, during and after the Learner's enrolment in a Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute program.
 - Job applicants, employees, industry partners, clients and volunteers.
 - Other people who come into contact with Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute.
- Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute will generally collect personal information held about an individual by way of forms filled out by Learners and employees, face-to-face meetings, interviews, and telephone calls.
- In some circumstances Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute may be provided with personal information about an individual from a third party, for example, a report provided by a medical professional or a reference from someone.
- The National Privacy Principles do not bind Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute, in relation to its treatment of employees' records, where the treatment is directly related to the current or former employment relationship between Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute and an employee. In this scenario the Privacy Policy does not apply.

HOW WILL THE SYDNEY BEAUTY AND DERMAL INSTITUTE USE THE PERSONAL INFORMATION AN INDIVIDUAL PROVIDES

- For personal information about Learners, the primary purpose for collection is to enable the business to look after and assist in the Learners development, social, spiritual and medical well-being, for day-to-day administration, to satisfy legal obligations and allow the business to discharge its duty of care
- For personal information about job applicants, employees, clients, industry partners and contractors, the primary purpose of collection is to assess and (if successful) to engage the applicant, employees, client, industry partner or contractor, as the case may be.
- The purposes for which it uses personal information of job applicants, employees, clients, industry partners and contractors include:
 - To administer the individual's employment or contract (as the case may be);
 - For insurance purposes;
 - To enable us to maintain necessary employee information for entitlements including long service leave, maternity leave, WorkCover and other necessary industrial or employment purposes;
 - To satisfy legal obligations.

TO WHOM MIGHT SYDNEY BEAUTY AND DERMAL INSTITUTE DISCLOSE PERSONAL INFORMATION

- We may disclose personal information (including sensitive information) held about an individual only to those with a right to know.

For example:

- Government departments;
- People providing services to Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute (including consultants);
- Anyone to whom the individual authorises Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute to disclose information.
- Sometimes we may ask individuals to consent to some disclosures or uses of personal information for certain purposes, either in writing or verbally. In other cases, consent may be implied.

TELEPHONE INQUIRIES

- Where an employee receives a telephone query by a person claiming to be a Learner or employee, concerning information held by Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute about a particular Learner or employee, the employee shall use appropriate means to verify the identity of the person (for example, by confirming the Learner or employees date of birth).
- Where an employee receives a telephone query from an external organisation concerning information held about a particular Learner or employee, the employee shall use appropriate means to verify that the caller is employed by that external organisation and that either:
 - The Learner or employee has authorised the release of the data to the organisation, or
 - There is a requirement in law to provide the information requested.

REQUESTS FOR CONTACT ADDRESSES FOR OTHER PURPOSES

- Where a request is received for a Learner or employee contact address, employees shall refuse to divulge the information, but may at their discretion arrange for the forwarding of such a request to the Learner or employee.
- Where a third party needs to contact a Learner or employee for an emergency purpose, the matter will be referred to the General Manager, or their designate, for a decision.
- Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute facilitates access to employees through the appropriate medium (e.g. E-mail, letters, etc) on behalf of third parties as appropriate.

HOW SENSITIVE INFORMATION WILL BE TREATED

- 'Sensitive information' means information relating to a person's racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religion, trade unions or other professional or trade association membership, sexual preferences or criminal record, that is also personal information; and health information about an individual.
- Sensitive information will be used and disclosed only for the purpose for which it was provided or a directly related secondary purpose, unless the individual agrees otherwise, or the use or disclosure of the sensitive information is allowed by law.

MANAGEMENT AND SECURITY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

- We are required to respect the confidentiality of Learner's personal information and the privacy of individuals.
- We have in place steps to protect the personal information held from misuse, loss, unauthorised access, modification or disclosure by use of various methods including locked storage of paper records and pass-worded access rights to computerised records.

UPDATING PERSONAL INFORMATION

We undertake all endeavours to ensure that the personal information it holds is accurate, complete and up-to-date. A person may seek to update their personal information held by contacting the General Manager, or their designate, at any time. The National Privacy Principles require us not to store personal information longer than necessary

INDIVIDUALS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHECK WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION SYDNEY BEAUTY AND DERMAL INSTITUTE HOLDS ABOUT THEM

Under the Privacy Act 1988 and Privacy Act Amendments 2014, individuals may seek access to any personal information that we hold about them and to advise of any perceived inaccuracy. There are some exceptions to this right set out in the Privacy Act 1988 and Privacy Act Amendments 2014, which are:

- For individuals to make a request to access any information we hold about them, they should contact the General Manager, or their designate, in writing.
- We may require individuals to verify their identity and specify what information they require. A fee may be charged to cover the cost of verifying the individual's application and locating, retrieving, reviewing and copying any material requested. If the information sought is extensive, the individual will be advised of the likely cost in advance.

STORAGE OF RECORDS

- Records must be correctly stored and eventually destroyed (in line with legal requirements) by authorised personnel to make sure that information of a sensitive nature is not made public.
- All records must be stored in a secure, safe area where there is no possibility of damage by pests, vermin or environmental factors.
- Records are stored both at internal organisational and external storage areas.
- The area must be safeguarded by security, with access determined by an appropriate system to prevent access from individuals that do not have clearance.
- When stored, there is a system for location of records to allow for ease of access by authorised employees.
- Records must be transported in a safe and confidential manner ensuring that access is only given to authorised employees.

DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS

- Any confidential or sensitive paperwork is placed in locked bins and/or shredded prior to being sent for recycling.
- Records are kept for as long as they have value, which varies. It is generally for 7 years but can vary for certain conditions and legal considerations.
- Each State/Territory is covered by legislation and has regulations regarding record retention and disposal. These may be accessed at www.weblaw.edu.au.

ENQUIRIES

For information about the way Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute manages the personal information it holds, please contact the General Manager, or their designate.

Sydney Beauty and Dermal Institute takes the confidentiality and privacy of our Learners, employees and clients very seriously, and will not hesitate to take disciplinary action against any employees that are in breach of this policy.