



REAL LIFE TIPS



Fire Safety Tips & Resources

Check out these helpful tips and links to existing fire safety resources.

Smoke Alarms. Specialised devices sound an alarm at higher decibels and can link to flashing lights and a vibrating pad under your child's pillow. These devices are expensive and don't integrate with other smoke alarms. Specialised alarms can be purchased under your child's NDIS plan. However, eligibility for a device appears to be based on the age of the child, which we believe needs to be changed.

Bedroom Location. It might be worth considering having your child who is DHH sleep in the bedroom closest to yours so that if they don't wake to a fire alarm, you can assist them more easily.

Emergency Numbers. Depending on your child's age, level of hearing and method of communication, there are several ways to contact emergency services. Teach them about Triple Zero or the National Relay Service (NRS). The NRS provide phone or video services for people who are DHH or don't use speech. The NRS has recently introduced a registration process, but this does NOT apply to emergency calls. Encourage your older kids to store emergency numbers in their mobile phones.

Current Resources. Check out these helpful resources

1. FRNSW - Safety Visit Program - ask them to come and visit your home and provide fire safety information
2. FRNSW - Brigade Kids - videos (Auslan & captions) to teach fire safety to kids
3. P-CEP - Person-Centred Emergency Preparedness for people with a disability
4. National Auslan Communications for Emergency