

State or Territory	NPM Body	Expertise Working with Children	Expertise in Youth Justice	Recent Key Issues	Recent Key Reports
ACT	Correctional Inspector, Human Rights Commission, Ombudsman	Human Rights Commission includes Children's Commissioner	Bimberi Centre operates with a human rights framework and Charter for Young People	Media reports of Bimberi 'riots' in 2019; concern with restraints in schools	"Schools for all Children and Young People" <sup>1</sup> (2015); " <a href="#">Review of Bimberi Youth Justice Centre</a> " (2021) <sup>2</sup>
New South Wales	To be advised – Ombudsman and Custodial Inspector recommended	No current direct expertise	Youth Justice Centres have been reviewed and inspected	Review recommends mandate for monitoring for children and young people in detention	Statutory Review of Custodial Inspector Act <sup>3</sup> "The Inspection of Six Youth Justice Centres in NSW report" (2020) <sup>4</sup>
Northern Territory	Ombudsman (Interim NPM) Children's Commissioner, Principal Community Visitor (all three expected to be designated) <sup>5</sup>	Children's Commissioner has interest and expertise	Reform efforts but Don Dale Centre remains open	System with evidence of torture, mismanagement	NT Royal Commission (2017) <sup>6</sup>
Queensland	Ombudsman (also Inspector of Detention Services) – to be confirmed	Reported on Brisbane Youth Detention Centre in 2019 <sup>7</sup>	3 detention centres; 2017 Youth Justice Review;	Bail restricted, trauma + cultural training required, reform failure, children in police watchhouses	Youth Justice Review (2017) <sup>8</sup> ; QFCC Report (2023) <sup>9</sup>

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.education.act.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/856254/Attach-4-Expert-Panel-Report-Web.pdf](https://www.education.act.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/856254/Attach-4-Expert-Panel-Report-Web.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [Healthy Centre Review of Bimberi Youth Justice Centre - ACT Inspector of Correctional Services](#)

<sup>3</sup> [https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/tp/files/80590/Report%20-%20Statutory%20Review%20of%20the%20Inspector%20of%20Custodial%20Services%20Act%202012%20\(002\).pdf](https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/tp/files/80590/Report%20-%20Statutory%20Review%20of%20the%20Inspector%20of%20Custodial%20Services%20Act%202012%20(002).pdf)

<sup>4</sup> [inspectorcustodial.nsw.gov.au/documents/inspection-reports/inspection-of-six-youth-justice-centres-in-NSW.pdf](https://www.inspectorcustodial.nsw.gov.au/documents/inspection-reports/inspection-of-six-youth-justice-centres-in-NSW.pdf)

<sup>5</sup> [OPCAT | Office of the Ombudsman NT](#)

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.royalcommission.gov.au/child-detention/final-report>

<sup>7</sup> [The Brisbane Youth Detention Centre report - Queensland Ombudsman](#)

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.dcssds.qld.gov.au/resources/dcsyw/youth-justice/reform/youth-justice-report.pdf>

<sup>9</sup> [https://www.qfcc.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-08/QFCC\\_Child\\_Rights\\_Report\\_1\\_YouthJustice\\_1.pdf](https://www.qfcc.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/2023-08/QFCC_Child_Rights_Report_1_YouthJustice_1.pdf)

South Australia	Official Visitors (adult prisons), Community Visitor (mental health + disability facilities), Youth Training Centre Visitor (all expected to be designated)	Training Centre Visitor is Children's Guardian	Training Centre Visitor	Staffing and access issues	Visitor's Annual Reports <sup>10</sup>
Tasmania	Ombudsman (also Custodial Inspector)	Consults Children's Commissioner	Reforms underway	Child abuse in government facilities under investigation	Commission of Inquiry underway <sup>11</sup>
Victoria	To be advised – Ombudsman + Children's Commissioner interested	Children's Commissioner has active interest and expertise	Several reviews found unacceptable practice: reforms underway including new facility	Inappropriate use of seclusion; review of reforms required, and monitoring established	"Same Four Walls"(2017) <sup>12</sup> "OPCAT in Victoria: A thematic investigation of practices related to solitary confinement of children and young people" (2019) <sup>13</sup>
Western Australia	Inspector Custodial Services and Ombudsman	Advisory Group includes Children's Commissioner	Inappropriate practices at Banksia Hill incl. children transferred to adult prison	System and Reform Failure	Series of Reports (2012-2022) <sup>14</sup>
Commonwealth	Ombudsman	No current direct expertise	No enforceable standards	Coordination, consistency, and immigration detention	Ongoing scrutiny by Australian Human Rights Commission
Commonwealth Advisory Group	Includes Prof Neil Morgan, Prof Bronwyn Naylor, Ms Lorraine Finlay, Ms Anne Hollonds, Dr Eddie Cubillo <sup>15</sup>	Anne Hollonds is National Childrens Commissioner	Youth detention expertise (Morgan and Naylor)	No powers; no child specific mandate in Terms of Reference <sup>16</sup>	

<sup>10</sup> <https://gcyp.sa.gov.au/what-we-do/training-centre-visitor/>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.commissionofinquiry.tas.gov.au/>

<sup>12</sup> <https://ccyp.vic.gov.au/inquiries/systemic-inquiries/the-same-four-walls/>

<sup>13</sup> [OPCAT in Victoria: A thematic investigation of practices related to solitary confinement of children and young people | Victorian Ombudsman](#)

<sup>14</sup> <https://www.oics.wa.gov.au/>

<sup>15</sup> [Monitoring places of detention – OPCAT | Commonwealth Ombudsman](#)

<sup>16</sup> [OAG-Terms-of-Reference-May-2023.pdf \(ombudsman.gov.au\)](#)