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Youth Peak Body welcomes appointment of new Children and Youth Minister

Responsibility for children and youth affairs in Government has been assigned to newly appointed Minister for Children and Young People the Hon. Sarah Courtney MP. This appointment, announced by Premier Gutwein today has been welcomed by the state's youth peak body, the Youth Network of Tasmania (YNOT).

Tania Hunt, YNOT CEO said, "YNOT has long advocated for the appointment of a Youth Minister in Tasmania to ensure a more coordinated and consistent approach in responding to youth affairs in this State."

"Ministerial responsibility for children and young people, in addition to investing in the development of the Tasmanian Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy demonstrates the Government's commitment to improving outcomes for children and young people in Tasmania." Ms. Hunt.

"YNOT looks forward to working with Minister Courtney in her new role to ensure that issues impacting young Tasmanians are considered and inform decision making and policy development. Integral to this will be ensuring opportunities for young people to meaningfully participate in decision making that affects their lives." Said Ms. Hunt.

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