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Volunteer Role Description - Big Brothers Big Sisters

Role Title

'Big Brother' or 'Big Sister'

Role Description

1. To provide mentoring, friendship and support to a young person between the ages of 7 to 17 years.
2. This friendship to be provided on a one-to-one basis.

Responsibilities and Tasks

1. To develop a supportive friendship with a young person, showing respect for and understanding of their individual needs.
2. To adhere to prescribed Big Brothers – Big Sisters program boundaries and guidelines.
3. To act as a role model for the young person, and encourage new experiences and opportunities.
4. To be accountable to the nominated Program Coordinator.

Qualifications

No formal qualifications are necessary.

Favourable Attributes

1. A genuine interest in the well-being of young people.
2. Patience, understanding, acceptance, compassion and the ability to listen.
3. To be over the age of 18.
4. To have a driving licence, and access to a reliable motor vehicle.

Requirements for the Role

1. Minimum 12 month commitment
2. Weekly commitment of 1 to 4 hours
3. Attend minimum 8 out of 11 monthly Volunteer Support Meetings

Conditions

1. 'Bigs' are encouraged to focus on free or low cost activities with the 'littles'. If there is a cost involved, 'littles' and 'bigs' are expected to pay for their own expenses.
2. The BBBS program aims to provide and fund regular group recreational activities.

Volunteer:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

BBBS Program Worker:

Name: _____

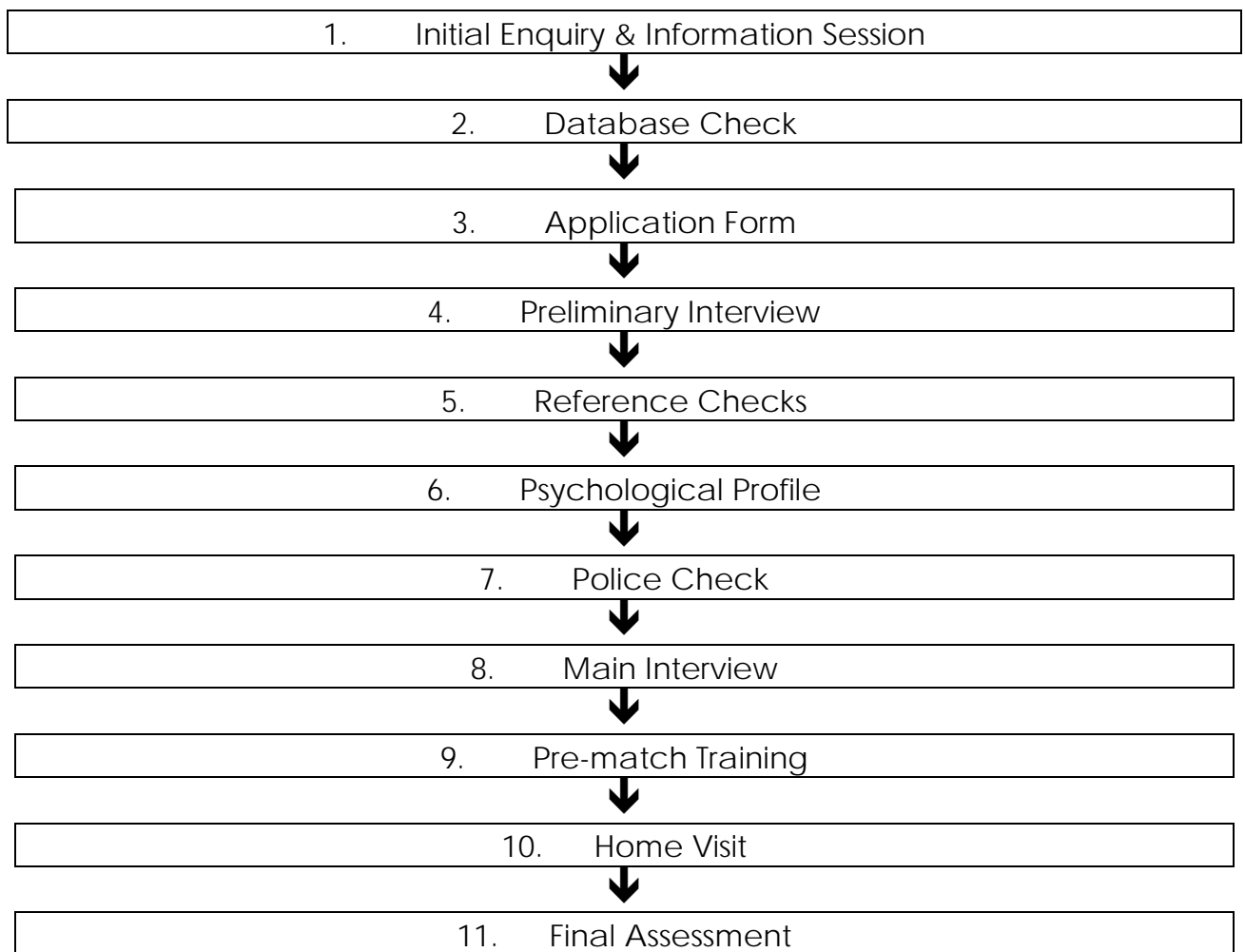
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**YWCA of Adelaide
Big Brothers Big Sisters Program
Volunteer Screening, Selection and Support Overview**

11-Step Screening Process

Each step in this flow chart is to be completed but not strictly in the order outlined.



Post-match Support

- Regular phone calls to family and participants
- Quarterly review meetings
- Volunteer Peer Support Meetings
- Monthly Recreational Group Days
- Discussions with relevant school and agency staff representatives for evaluation purposes.