Principles of Youth Justice in Australia

Service responses are evidence based

Support to
young people is
individualised &
reflects the diversity of
cultures & communities
in which they live

Interventions are informed by the drivers of offending & the assessed risk of future offending

The youth justice system holds young people accountable for their behaviour

Developmental needs of young people are addressed

responses to address
the over-representation of
Aboriginal & Torres Strait
Islander young people in the
justice system

Effective support to victims of youth offending

Authentic collaboration across service systems

Health and mental health needs of young people are addressed

Offending
behaviour is
prevented & young
people are diverted
from the justice
system



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