



# GUARDIANS & SHIELD FRAMEWORK

A FRAMEWORK TO SAFEGUARD CHILDREN IN IMMERSIVE DIGITAL ENVIRONMENTS

## THE FRAMEWORK

A Research Project by X Reality Safety Intelligence (XRSI)



We aim to develop a comprehensive toolkit along with the guidance necessary to protect children in immersive digital environments. The research is led by XRSI's Child Safety Initiative program and combines a mixed-methods research approach including interviews, surveys, literature reviews, working groups, and roundtables. The global team will engage with several key stakeholders to develop a robust set of guidelines and controls, and raise awareness about the opportunities, risks, and harms faced by children in the immersive environments, specifically the Metaverse.

## THE TOOLKIT



ASSESS

INFORM

MANAGE

PREVENT

## Key stakeholders involved in creating and utilizing the Guardians & Shield Framework

- Parents & Guardians
- Educators & Caregivers
- Children & Youth
- Advocacy & Law Enforcement
- Policymakers & Regulators
- Entertainment Industry Experts
- E-sports & Gaming Industry Stakeholders
- Civic Organizations
- Health Professionals
- Mental Health Professionals
- Academia
- Social Media Platforms
- Metaverse Professionals
- Technology Industry Experts

## THE GUARDIANS



**SHARED**  
*Responsibility*  
**IN ACTION**

## THE PROJECT PLAN

Phase 1: Planning

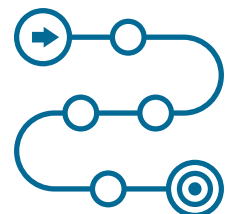
Phase 2: Literature Review & Stakeholder Engagement

Phase 3: Data Collection & Analysis

Phase 4: Framework Development & Refinement

Phase 5: Dissemination & Implementation

Regular Updates - Continuous



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SAFETY  
INITIATIVE**

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Human Intelligence In The Loop

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