

Safeguarding Quick reference information!

Safeguarding means protecting children from abuse and maltreatment; preventing harm to children's health or development; ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care; taking action to enable all children and young people to have the best outcomes.

Child protection is part of the safeguarding process. It focuses on protecting individual children identified as suffering or likely to suffer significant harm. This includes child protection procedures which detail how to respond to concerns about a child

Types of abuse

Physical, Emotional, Sexual and Neglect

DASH

The checklist for Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Honour Based Violence

CSE (Child Sexual Exploitation)

A form of sexual abuse involving children and young people receiving "something" such as accommodation, gifts, drugs, cigarettes, alcohol or affection as a result of them performing sexual activities or having others perform sexual activities on them.

Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment Framework (SERAF)

The form to be completed to identify the level of risk of CSE

PREVENT

Safeguarding children and adults and providing early intervention to protect and divert people away from being drawn into terrorist activity.

CHANNEL

A programme which focuses on providing support at an early stage to people who are identified as being vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism

FGM (Female Genital Mutilation)

A procedure where the female genitals are deliberately cut, injured or changed, but where there's no medical reason for this to be done

CCE (Child Criminal exploitation)

Child Criminal Exploitation is when children are trafficked, exploited or coerced into committing crimes.

County Lines

County lines is the police term for urban gangs supplying drugs to suburban areas and market and coastal towns using dedicated mobile phone lines or "deal lines". It involves child criminal exploitation (CCE) as gangs use children and vulnerable people to move drugs and money.

Private Fostering Private fostering is an arrangement whereby a child under the age of 16 (or 18 if the child has a disability) ([S.66 Children Act 1989](#)) is placed for 28 days or more in the care of someone who is not the child's parent(s) or a 'connected person'.

LADO

The **LADO** should be alerted to all cases in which it is alleged that a person who works with children has: behaved in a way that has harmed, or may have harmed, a child. possibly committed a criminal offence against children, or related to a child.

Early Help

The best way to support a family, to avoid a situation getting out of control is through Early Help. Early Help processes are monitored closely by the lead professional. It involves listening to the family to find out the child's needs, and what is working well in their life and help identify where the challenges are and how these can be supported

Contact numbers:

If you are worried about a child, or wish to escalate your concern, contact:

Hants Direct Professionals Line: 0300 300 0901 OR 0300 300 0117 (24 hours).

If you think a child may be in immediate danger of harm call 999.

NSPCC Helpline: 0808 800 5000 (24 hours) or text 88858.

To make a referral electronically, please complete the Interagency Referral form by going to the

www.iowscp.org.uk