



Safeguarding

Children & Young People

All children and young people have the right to be safe from harm. The Family Support and Safeguarding policy is in place to support staff in responding to concerns about a child or young person.

Whatever your role in the council you have a duty to safeguard the wellbeing of children and young people.

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Is there is a serious and immediate threat to a child?

YES

Call 999

for an ambulance and, if needed Police

NO

Is it a safeguarding concern?

NO

Low-level concern. Have you got consent from family/ child/ young person to make a referral?

YES

Inform them that there are services available such as Children & Family Wellbeing Service. Consent is needed for any referrals

YES

Help refused or not convenient to speak freely. Discuss with your manager.

Contact the Designated Safeguarding Officer Sarah Astin-Wood on ext. 1782. PLT staff contact Vanessa Kelly on ext. 1286.

YES

Is it during normal working hours?

NO

Is your line manager available?

YES

NO

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Contact Lancashire County Council Social Care Services directly on: 0300 123 6722 (8pm-8am Mon- Fri and weekends or bank holidays)

Discuss the matter with your line manager. They will advise.

If they are unable to advise then

See the Family Support & Safeguarding Children policy on the intranet for more information, or contact Sarah Astin-Wood on ext 1782.

