Safe guarding

ADULTS

https://www.gdc-uk.org/standards-guidance/standards-and-guidance/gdc-guidance-for-dental-professionals/guidance-on-child-protection-and-vulnerable-adults

https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/recognising-adult-abuse-exploitation-and-neglect

https://www.volunteernow.co.uk/app/uploads/2022/05/Keeping-Adults-Safe-A-Shared-Responsibility.pdf

https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/recognising-adult-abuse-exploitation-and-neglect

CHILDREN

https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/ipd.13120

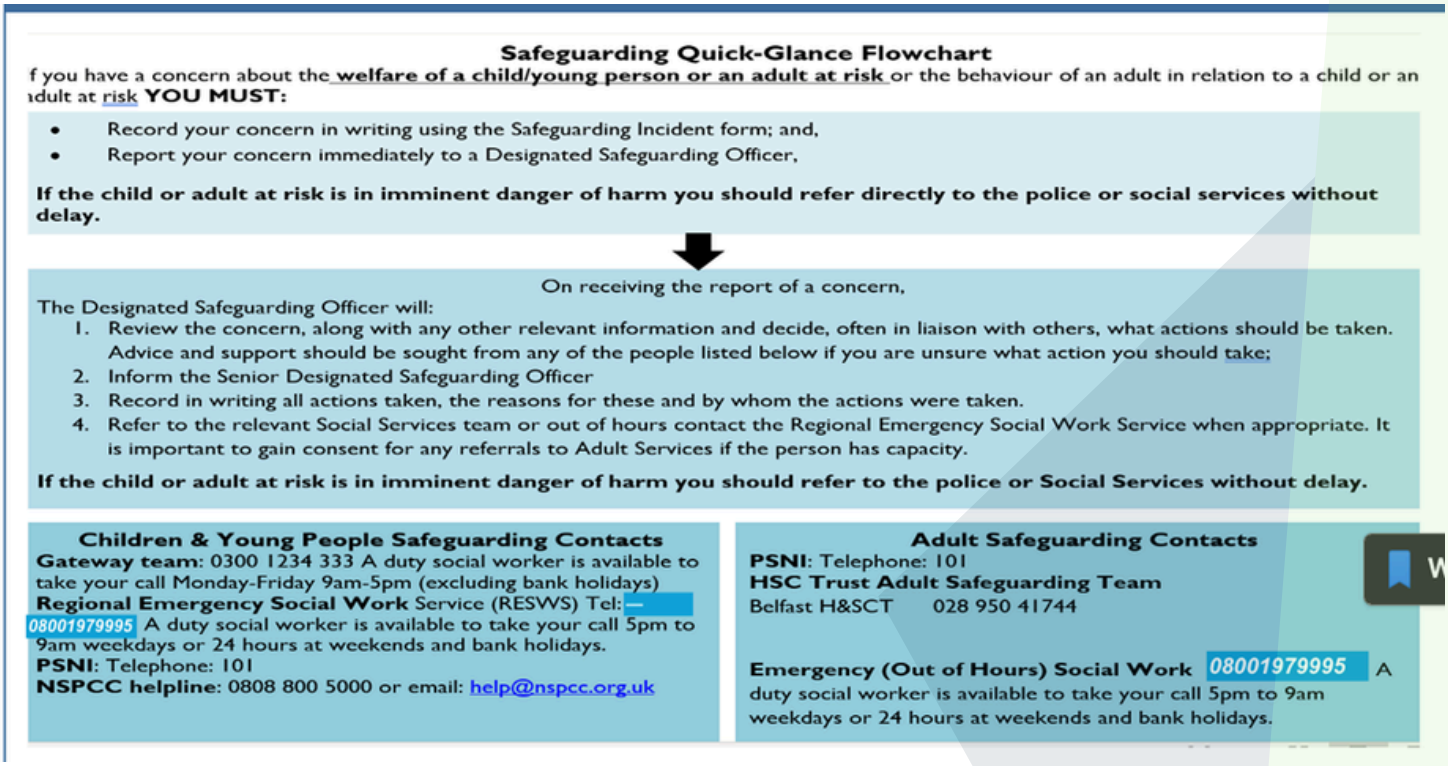
https://childprotection.rcpch.ac.uk/child-protection-evidence/dental-neglect-systematic-review/

Regional Core Policies manual

ACES Trauma Informed Approach

Volunteer Now- keeping Children Safe

NSPCC



Safeguarding Quick-Glance Flowchart

f you have a concern about the **welfare of a child/young person or an adult at risk** or the behaviour of an adult in relation to a child or an adult at risk **YOU MUST:**

- Record your concern in writing using the Safeguarding Incident form; and,
- Report your concern immediately to a Designated Safeguarding Officer,

If the child or adult at risk is in imminent danger of harm you should refer directly to the police or social services without delay.

On receiving the report of a concern,

The Designated Safeguarding Officer will:

1. Review the concern, along with any other relevant information and decide, often in liaison with others, what actions should be taken. Advice and support should be sought from any of the people listed below if you are unsure what action you should take;
2. Inform the Senior Designated Safeguarding Officer
3. Record in writing all actions taken, the reasons for these and by whom the actions were taken.
4. Refer to the relevant Social Services team or out of hours contact the Regional Emergency Social Work Service when appropriate. It is important to gain consent for any referrals to Adult Services if the person has capacity.

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Children & Young People Safeguarding Contacts

Gateway team: 0300 1234 333 A duty social worker is available to take your call Monday-Friday 9am-5pm (excluding bank holidays)
Regional Emergency Social Work Service (RESWS) Tel: 08001979995 A duty social worker is available to take your call 5pm to 9am weekdays or 24 hours at weekends and bank holidays.
PSNI: Telephone: 101
NSPCC helpline: 0808 800 5000 or email: help@nspcc.org.uk

Adult Safeguarding Contacts

PSNI: Telephone: 101
HSC Trust Adult Safeguarding Team
Belfast H&SCT 028 950 41744

Emergency (Out of Hours) Social Work 08001979995 A duty social worker is available to take your call 5pm to 9am weekdays or 24 hours at weekends and bank holidays.

IMPORTANT CHANGE TO CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

There has been an update to the Northern Ireland GUIDELINES.A new category of abuse has been added.

Co-operating to safeguard children and Young People (DHSSPS), 2024.

Ill-treatment of another or abusive behaviour directed at another means that a child could be harmed by virtue of witnessing the ill- treatment or domestic abuse of another person. However, it is not necessary for the child to have witnessed such treatment or behaviour or, indeed, to have been present when it happened. Abusive Behaviour is behaviour that falls within section 2 of the Domestic Abuse and Civil Proceedings Act (NI) 2021.