

Surf Life Saving Association of Wales - Appendix 7
Responding to Concerns Flow Charts

Responding to Concerns about a Young Person involving a Member, Volunteer, Coach or Official within Surf Life Saving Wales



Responding to Concerns Outside of the Sport – e.g., Home, School or Community

Member of staff, coach or volunteer made aware of concerns about child's welfare or safety. (e.g., suspicions of bullying at school, allegations of abuse within the family etc.)

If child requires immediate medical attention arrange this and ensure that medic is informed that there may be a child protection concern or allegation

Member of staff, coach or volunteer reports to/consults with organisation/club/facility or event Safeguarding Lead Officer, and completes the safeguarding incident report form and forwards a copy to the Safeguarding Lead

Safeguarding Lead Officer makes decision on immediate referral to or consultation with Children's Social Care or Police; records actions taken / agreed (including who will inform parents)

Safeguarding Lead Officer sends written safeguarding report to Children's Social Care / Police within 24 hours, and considers need for support or advice for original referrer or others involved

* Safeguarding Officers to note essential numbers as part of their role.

Citizens Advice

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/family/children-and-young-people/child-abuse/what-is-child-abuse/organisations-responsible-for-dealing-with-child-abuse/>

Statutory Agencies

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO). Contact your local council to obtain a contact name for LADO in your area.

Police – Call 999 if the child is at immediate risk, or call the police on 101 if you suspect child abuse.

NSPCC

0808 800 5000 - If you're worried about a child, even if you're unsure, contact our professional counsellors 24/7 for help, advice and support

Childline

0800 1111 - Childline offers free, confidential advice and support whatever your worry, whenever you need help

See link for further links and information in your area

<http://www.childreninwales.org.uk/in-your-area/safeguarding-children-boards/>

NSPCC Whistleblowing Advice Line

0800 028 0285

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