

What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm. 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.

'A child' includes anyone under the age of 18. Everyone who works and comes in to contact with children has a responsibility for keeping them safe. And has a role to play in identifying concerns, sharing information and taking prompt action

Nannytap is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of children, parents and child carers. Nannytap expects all members, to share this commitment and maintain a vigilant and safe community. All Nannytap members have taken part in safeguarding training.

Everyone has a responsibility to act, without delay, to protect children by reporting anything that might suggest a child is in significant harm.

"safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility. Everyone who comes into contact with children and their families and carers has a role to play in safeguarding children.

In order to fulfil this responsibility effectively, all professionals should make sure their approach is child-centred. This means that they should consider, at all times, what is in the best interest of the child'
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To find the details for your Local Safeguarding Children's Boards.

<http://www.safecic.co.uk/your-scb-acpc/55-free-downloads-and-safeguarding-links/61-safeguarding-children-board-links>

If your worried about a child, the document below provides guidance.

www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-to-do-if-youre-worried-a-child-is-being-abused--2