



## Suggestions for Safeguarding Children policy

**Everyone's practice is different. Not all of these points will apply and you may wish to add some of your own. Your policy must reflect your everyday practice**

- That you have a duty to report any concerns you may have about a Child Protection issue.
- That you may discuss this with parents or relevant professionals beforehand. This is the only time that you may make an exception to your confidentiality policy.
- That a record will be kept of any concerns.
- That you will implement the procedures contained in the Northamptonshire Local Safeguarding Children Board information (available on request to parents) without delay to minimise any risk to the child.
- That details of how to download the national guidelines 'What to do if you're worried a child is being abused' and the local Northamptonshire Safeguarding Children Board procedures, are available on request.
- That it is not your responsibility to attempt to investigate any situation yourself.
- That it is a requirement of your registration to inform Ofsted if you have made a referral related to child abuse.
- That if an allegation is made against you, or a member of your family, you will report it to both Ofsted and the Northamptonshire County Council - Children and Young People's Service Contact Centre. The contact centre will inform the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO).
- What child protection training you have done and when.
- How you will keep your knowledge of safeguarding children up to date.