

PartnershipProjects

Safeguarding Policy & Procedures

All clinicians working for PartnershipProjects, including self-employed associates, are subject to regular, enhanced DBS checks, as required by UK law.

All clinicians receive in-service training on child protection issues once every two years. Any concerns regarding the conduct of a clinician working for PartnershipProjects towards a child, young person or vulnerable adult must be reported immediately to the Associate Director and Director of PartnershipProjects.

The member of staff or associated clinician will be immediately suspended from their clinical work and required to abstain contacting any service users pending the outcome of an investigation which will be jointly carried out by the Director and Associate Director of the company.

Where required, the Director and Associate Director will avail themselves of independent advice, including advice from the local authority.

Allegations of misconduct will be reported to the clinician's professional organisation, to the local authority that has made the referral in the respective case, and to the local safeguarding hub.

Any concerns relating to child safety within the family or from possible third party instigators of abuse to children, young people or vulnerable adults must be reported to the Associate Director and the Director of PartnershipProjects as the organisation's named child protection officers, within 12 hours. If child protection concerns prevail upon evaluation by the child protection officers, these will be reported to the local authority child protective services within 12 hours.