

Job description of designated child protection officer

- Has a clear understanding of implementing and updating the child protection policy.
- An understanding and appreciation of the need for confidentiality.
- The ability to follow procedures and to know when to seek advice and not rely solely on own judgement.
- Attend and update training in child protection.
- Ensure all members of staff have an understanding of the procedures to follow when child abuse is suspected.
- Encourage all staff to attend child protection training.
- Remember the task of deciding whether or not abuse has occurred rests with professional agencies.