



Department
for Education

Keeping Children Safe in Education 2026

The Department for Education have published the final version of the 2026 edition of it's Keeping Children Safe in Education guidance, with additions around faith-based discrimination, racism, and the creation of anti-discriminatory cultures.

Follow the link [here](#) to the guidance.

NSPCC
'Learning'

Why Language Matters: 'Non-Recent' Abuse

NSPCC Learning has published a Why language matters blog on talking about 'non-recent' instead of 'historic' abuse. Both terms are often used by services when adults share their experiences of child abuse. The blog highlights how the term 'historic' abuse can minimise the ongoing impact of abuse and discourage people from speaking out. The language used should be trauma-informed and should support people to come forward and share their experiences. Follow the link [here](#).

**CHILDREN'S
COMMISSIONER**

Children Referred to the Prevent Programme

The Children's Commissioner has published a new report on children referred to Prevent. Key findings show: Prevent has seen a substantial rise in referrals for children in England and Wales; professionals are concerned that children are being drawn into radicalisation and violence fascination online; the majority of children referred to Prevent do not progress to an intervention; and many children are referred back to the service that made the referral when their cases are closed. Follow [this link](#) to read the full report.

NSPCC
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EYFS Framework Summary of Changes

The Department for Education (DfE) published its 2026 edition of the EYFS Framework which sets out the requirements for safeguarding and welfare in early years settings in England. NSPCC Learning has published a CASPAR briefing summarising the changes for 2026, which include updates around sleeping arrangements, suitable people and screen use.

To view the summary, follow the link [here](#).

Hartlepool & Stockton-on-Tees
**SAFEGUARDING
CHILDREN
PARTNERSHIP**

Working With Neglect: Partnership Self-Assessment

Following the publication of the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel's report *Child Neglect: A Thematic Analysis*. HSSCP are undertaking a self-assessment to help us better understand our strengths and areas for development as a partnership in regards to working with Neglect. As part of this work, we have developed a professional self-assessment questionnaire for professionals to feed in their experiences and insights. To take this survey, follow the link [here](#). This survey will stay open until Friday 2nd October.

NSPCC
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National Collection of Case Reviews

NSPCC Learning have added 8 new case reviews this month with can be found on the link below.

The new case reviews feature issues including child neglect, professional misconduct, parents who have a mental health problem, and gaming.

To view the collection, follow the link [here](#).



Child Sexual Exploitation Taskforce

Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Toolkit

The Child Sexual Exploitation Taskforce has developed a toolkit to help organisations communicate consistently, accurately and compassionately about child sexual abuse and exploitation. The toolkit is built around four core principles: belief, language, collaboration and justice. The toolkit outlines messaging considerations, survivor-centred narratives and communications messages and statistics for different topics. Follow the link [here](#) for the toolkit.



Disclosure & Barring Service

Eligibility for Enhanced with Barred List DBS Checks

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) has published guidance designed to help determine whether a role is eligible for an Enhanced DBS check with a Children's Barred List check. It outlines the specific activities, job roles, and workplaces that may mean a role is in regulated activity, whether paid or unpaid. Also highlights roles that are eligible for this check without being in regulated activity.

Read the guidance here: [Eligibility for Enhanced with Barred List DBS checks](#)



Children's Mental Health Data Report

The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health has published data about A&E attendances among children between 2019 and 2025 in England. Findings include: a 36% increase in mental health-related attendances since 2019 with the largest relative increase among 6-9-year-olds; extreme waits are becoming more common; and more children are becoming 'stuck' in A&E.

To read the report and its recommendations, follow the link [here](#).



Tees Procedures

Have you checked out the latest information regarding safeguarding procedures on the Tees Safeguarding Children Procedures website?

To access all of the Tees Safeguarding Children Procedures, please click on the following link: <https://www.teescpp.org.uk/>



HSSCP Safeguarding Training & Resources

Are you up to date with your multi-agency safeguarding children training? The HSSCP safeguarding children training programme for 2026-2027 is available, along with a wide range of safeguarding children resources in the professionals section of the HSSCP website. For further information, please click on the following link: [HSSCP / Training](#)
For information relating to the latest LCSRP's please click: [LCSRP's](#)



Tees Safeguarding Adults Board (TSAB) Update

The Teeswide Safeguarding Adults Board is a statutory body working across the four local boroughs to effectively prevent and respond to adult abuse.

For the latest TSAB newsletters, please click on the following link: [TSAB](#)

Information on the latest safeguarding adults reviews can be found at: [SAR's](#)