

SAFEGUARDING

Some more safeguarding tips...

You should:

- ✓ **Treat everyone with respect.**
- ✓ Provide an example for everyone to follow.
- ✓ Respect a young person's right to privacy.
- ✓ Recognise and allow for the needs of young people with learning difficulties and disabilities.
- ✓ Encourage young people and adults to point out attitudes or behaviour that they do not find acceptable.
- ✓ Avoid inappropriate physical contact.
- ✓ Remember that someone else may misinterpret your actions, no matter how well intended.
- ✓ Recognise that special caution is required in sensitive moments of counselling when dealing with bullying, bereavement or loss.
- ✓ Respect the cultural, religious and ethnic backgrounds of those that you work with.
- ✓ Remind anyone who comes to you that you will have to pass on any information they share with you.



You should not:

- ✗ Permit abusive peer behaviour (e.g. bullying, racial harassment rude or abusive language).
- ✗ Have any inappropriate physical, verbal or online contact with young people.
- ✗ Jump to conclusions about others without checking facts.
- ✗ Show favouritism to any individual.
- ✗ Be drawn into inappropriate attention seeking behaviour such as crushes or tantrums.
- ✗ Make suggestive remarks or gestures.
- ✗ Rely on your good name to protect you.
- ✗ Believe 'it could never happen to me'.
- ✗ Interview vulnerable or young people on your own.
- ✗ Promise to keep any information they share to yourself.

