



ABERTILLERY LEARNING COMMUNITY

Safeguarding in the community during the COVID-19 crisis

Abuse can be one, all or a combination of the following:

- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Psychological/ Emotional abuse
- Financial/ Material abuse
- Neglect
- Discriminatory abuse
- Institutional abuse

It can be deliberate abuse or the result of ignorance, lack of training, knowledge or understanding.

“As always, we have a duty of care to protect the most vulnerable.”

Unfortunately, abuse takes place every day, especially in these types of unprecedented times.

If you see or suspect a child or young person being abused or neglected, please call the Dedicated Referral team on 01495 315700 or the Emergency Contact team on 0800 3284432 or email dutyteam@blaenau-gwent.gcsx.gov.uk

If you see or suspect an adult being abused or neglected, please call the Dedicated Referral team on 01495 315700 or email dutyteamadults@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk

If you believe a child, young person or adult is at immediate risk then please call 999.

Abuse can take many forms and can happen anywhere -

at home, in a residential or nursing home, a hospital, in the workplace, at a day centre or educational establishment, in supported housing or in the street.

It is the responsibility of each and every one of us to care for our community and report any abuse of a child, young person or an adult we have seen or may suspect.

Related email addresses for your information:

[Families First](mailto:familiesfirstduty@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk)

familiesfirstduty@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk

[Safeguarding in Education Manager](mailto:Sarah.dixon@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk)

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Related Websites for your information:

<https://www.blaenau-gwent.gov.uk/en/resident/health-wellbeing-social-care/childrens-services/child-protection/>

<https://www.blaenau-gwent.gov.uk/en/resident/health-wellbeing-social-care/safeguarding/safeguarding-adults-at-risk-of-abuse/>

