

Safeguarding Children & Young People



It is estimated that one third of all Trusts do not currently meet the basic requirements of safeguarding and child protection training for their employees (Laming 2009).

This document provides a brief summary of the Safeguarding Children and Young People project, which provides e-learning materials to help Trusts meet their statutory safeguarding training requirements. The project has been developed by DH e-Learning for Healthcare in partnership with the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health. It will have a significant impact on the current training and education provision and will make a positive contribution to the prevention of child abuse, physical, mental and sexual, as well as reducing the prevalence of neglect, as incorporated in the modern child safeguarding agenda.



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The Level 1 Safeguarding Children module provides up-to-date learning for all healthcare staff. It encompasses an overview of child protection, the categories, legal requirements and implications. It covers roles and responsibilities of staff, and how to respond to concerns about safeguarding issues. The importance of multi-agency working, effective communication and defensive documentation are emphasised.

The Level 2 module is for those who have regular clinical contact with children. The training covers legislation, recommendations, categories of abuse and case histories, with images identifying signs of abuse. The training covers the roles and responsibilities of each member of staff and what to do if a child discloses abuse. The importance of multi-agency working, effective communication and the importance of defensive documentation are emphasised.

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