

Safeguarding

The Diamond Centre's Safeguarding officers are:



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What is Safeguarding?

The Diamond Centre for Disabled Riders has a moral and legal duty to safeguard the vulnerable children, young people and adults with whom it works. This means doing everything that we can to reduce the risk of a child, young person or adult coming to harm while in our care. Also knowing what to do if we have a safeguarding concern.

A safeguarding concern is everybody's responsibility to report. This concern may relate to the wellbeing or health of a child, young person or adult at risk, or could also be regarding a member of staff or volunteer and their behaviour around young people or adults at risk.


Any concerns should be confidentially reported to the Diamond Centre's designated Safeguarding Officers and not discussed within the centre.

As a member of RDA UK The Diamond Centre therefore adhere to their Safeguarding Policies:

<https://myrda.org.uk/assets/Safeguarding-Children-Policy.pdf>

<https://myrda.org.uk/assets/Safeguarding-Adults-at-Risk-Policy.pdf>

<https://myrda.org.uk/assets/E-Safety-Policy.pdf>



HOW TO DEAL WITH A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN...

'NO ACTION' IS NOT AN OPTION

You MUST act on any concerns, either made directly to you or from things you've noticed. If something seems wrong, pass it on.

• LISTEN

If someone confides in you, let them talk and don't interrupt. Do this in a safe place where you can be seen but not overheard as information is confidential.

• PASS IT ON


Tell them you can't keep it a secret and must pass it on.

• ACT FAST

Don't delay acting on the information or concern. Take immediate action.


• TELL SOMEONE

Tell the Group Safeguarding Officer, or if they're not available choose one responsible adult at the group.



IF IN DOUBT SPEAK OUT

If something is worrying you or doesn't seem right, make sure you tell your Group Safeguarding Officer or National Office. It's really important that you pass information on as soon as you can.



TERMS WE USE

'Children and young people' are those aged under 18.

'Adults at risk' are over 18 but have additional care or support needs.

'A disclosure' is when someone tells you about something personal that has affected them, such as abuse.