

File
Foster Care

CHILD ABUSE ALLEGATIONS - FOSTER - CARERS

This summarise the draft role-
structure & process which had &
I discussed.

for consideration on 26/5 when we
meet.

Sarah

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copy + original back to me

Child Abuse Allegations Against Notts Foster Carers/Adopters

SPO (A & F) Role:

1. Receive initial alert from Area or SPO (Child Abuse)
2. See copy of CM4 (progress chase if necessary)
3. Advice to Area on initial handling/issues where appropriate and in liaison with SPO (Child Abuse). Confirmed in writing.
4. See copy of Case Conference minutes.
5. Involved in discussions as to whether a review of the conduct of the case is necessary. Alert PA (Child Care) where the need for Review seems likely. (PA decides).
6. Involved in Review where issues of professional practice in relation to B/O of children or approval/supervision of carers is an issue.
7. Monitor numbers and type of allegations and outcomes.
8. Feedback to SSFC from 7.
9. Advice and guidance and support to SSFC on practice development in this area, based on information from 7. and case by case output information.

SSFC Role

1. Alert SPO (A & F) of all cases coming to their attention.
2. Recognise territorial/cross Area issues and alert Children's Division in case of need to define responsibility. *(for discussion at Interfac 2/5/19)*
3. Liaise together and with SPO (A & F) and SPO (Child Abuse) to develop practice in relation to preparation of carers, approval, support and supervision of carers, and role in investigative processes.

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Process:

Allegation

Alert to SPO (A & F) and SPO (Child Abuse)

Investigation

CM4 copy to SPO (A & F) and SPO (Child Abuse)

SPO advice to Area where needed

Case Conference where appropriate

Outcome communicated to SPO (Child Abuse) and SPO (A & F)

Children's Division Liaison/discussion . PA (Child care)
to be alerted if appropriate & involved in decision
whether to hold a

Review of Conduct of Case (where appropriate)

SPO (A & F)

CH/FA/SD/CMC

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