

# Southwark Safeguarding Children Board

# Know your procedures to safeguard children



**For everyone who provides services to the community in Southwark**



**'What to do if you're worried a child is being abused'**  
National practice guidance for everyone who has contact with children, parents or adults.

## London child protection procedures, 3rd edition 2007

Procedures and guidance for everyone providing services to children, parents or adults having contact with children.



## Southwark Joint Service Protocols

Local protocols for providing services to families where parents or carers are affected by substance misuse, mental ill health disability or domestic violence.

All these can be accessed from:  
[www.southwark.gov.uk/safeguardingchildren](http://www.southwark.gov.uk/safeguardingchildren)

or contact:  
[sscb@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:sscb@southwark.gov.uk)

## To report a child in danger

If you think a child is in immediate danger contact the police by dialling **999**

To report a crime against a child contact your local police station.

To make a referral to children's services, ring the referral and assessment team and ask for the duty social worker on:

**020 7525 1921**

Out of hours:  
**020 7525 5000**

Every agency should have a children's safeguarding advisor: know who yours is.

## In an emergency or to find out who your advisor is contact:

Southwark Primary Care Trust, named nurses:  
**07789 741 518**

Southwark Council children's services education, lead officer for safeguarding:  
**020 7525 2696**

Metropolitan Police, child abuse investigation team:  
**020 7230 3700**

South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust, helpline:  
**07659 152233**

Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, named nurse:  
**020 3299 3319**

Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, named nurse:  
**020 7188 4653**

Other agencies and children's services, duty child protection coordinator:  
**020 7525 3297**