Middletown Centre for Autism

The Centre's Vision is

'to enhance the lives of autistic
children and young people, and
their families, through the delivery
of specialist educational services.'



Learning Support & Assessment Service

Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Who to contact?

If you have a safeguarding concern in relation to a vulnerable adult in receipt of Learning Support and Assessment Services in your educational setting, speak directly to the Designated Appointee in the setting which the vulnerable adult attends.

If you have a safeguarding concern in relation to a vulnerable adult in receipt of Learning Support and Assessment Services out of school, speak directly to Jill McCanney, Designated Teacher or Helen Forde, Deputy Designated Teacher at the Middletown Centre for Autism Tel: 028 37 515750

Social Services Gateway can be contacted on: 0800 78 37745

Information on Gateway can be found on:
www.nidirect.gov.uk/sites/default/files/
publications/gatewayserviceteamcontactdetails.pdf



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Information for Parents and

Service Users in Northern Ireland.



Parental Awareness of Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults.

Middletown Centre for Autism gives highest priority to the safety and welfare of vulnerable adults who access our Learning Support and Assessment Service.

In all contact with vulnerable adults Middletown Centre for Autism follow the guidelines and procedures described in the Department of Education Northern Ireland (DENI) publication 'Safeguarding and Protection in Schools - 2019'.

Incidents which occur in a school / placement context



Disclosure/concerns regarding abuse or neglect



Designated appointee for young adult's protection informed



Principal/Leader and MCA informed, plan of action formed. Advice from Education Authority/Social Services may be sought



No referral, parents informed of concerns

Referral made to PSNI/Gateway



School / Placement continue to monitor the young adult as appropriate

Incidents which occur in an 'out of educational' setting context



Disclosure/concerns regarding abuse or neglect



MCA Designated Teacher informed or MCA Deputy Designated Teacher informed



Plan of action formed. Advice from Education Authority/Social Services may be sought



No referral, parents informed of concerns

Referral made to PSNI/Gateway



If an allegation is against a parent then safeguarding team discuss with Gateway/PSNI on how to inform the parent.



MCA continue to monitor the young adult as appropriate