Middletown Centre for Autism

The Centre's Vision is

'to enhance the lives of children

and young people with autism, 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 outside of the educational setting, speak directly to Claire Smyton, Designated Liaison Person (DLP) or Tara Vernon, Deputy Designated Liaison (DDLP) at the Middletown Centre for Autism Tel: 0044 37 515750

Information on Tusla Child and Family Agency can be found on www.tusla.ie



Middletown Centre for Autism

35 Church Street, Middletown, Co. Armagh Tel: 028 37 515750

Email: admin@middletownautism.com



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Information for Parents and Service Users in 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 and Skills Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017.

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 Tusla may be sought



No referral, parents informed of concerns

Referral made to Tusla



School / Placement continue to monitor the young adult as appropriate

'out of educational' setting context



Disclosure/concerns regarding abuse or neglect



MCA Designated Liaison Person informed or MCA Deputy Designated Liaison Person informed



Plan of action formed. Advice from Tusla may be sought



No referral, parents informed of concerns

Referral made to Tusla



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



MCA continue to monitor the young adult as appropriate