

TOWER HAMLETS CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP ADULT AND CHILDRENS SAFEGUARDING STATEMENTS

CHILDRENS SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

The CCG takes its **commitment** to keeping **children safer** seriously by making sure that safeguarding is **visible** in all that we do to promote every child's wellbeing. We **communicate** our **goals** and **plans** clearly to the population we serve, our partner agencies and the services we commission. We work in **collaboration** with other agencies and hold our providers to account. We stand by this commitment, are **publically accountable** for it, and are **proactive** and strive to maintain it at all times. As a **listening, open and transparent organisation** we can **evidence** what is **working well** for children, what is **not working** so well and **learn** from these.

ADULT SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

All adults have the right to live lives free from abuse or neglect. Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) have particular responsibilities to commission services that safeguard vulnerable adults who may be unable to protect themselves from abuse or neglect.

The safety and welfare of vulnerable adults is of paramount importance to Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group (THCCG). We work diligently to ensure that all of the services we commission ensure high quality safe effective care services, and practice in line with the London multi-agency policy and procedures to safeguard adults from abuse (<http://www.scie.org.uk/publications/reports/report39.pdf>).

The following measures ensure that safeguarding and promoting the welfare of vulnerable adults is given priority and is discharged effectively across the whole local health community through commissioning arrangements:

- THCCG is a member of the Tower Hamlets Safeguarding Adults Board and has representation on key standing groups to ensure that safeguarding is at the forefront of service planning.
- Safeguarding adult strategies and associated policies are in place, including the safe recruitment of staff, a whistle-blowing policy and safeguarding training and supervision policies.
- Providers of services are held to account through regular review of safeguarding adults arrangements through quality scrutiny processes.

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- Designated adult safeguarding and mental capacity act leads are in post to offer professional expertise and advice around safeguarding adults' matters.

If you are concerned that an adult is being harmed please contact the First Response Team at Tower Hamlets Council on 020 7364 5005.

If you are concerned that a child or young person is being harmed through abuse or neglect you should contact the Tower Hamlets Children's Services Advice and Assessment Team on 020 7364 5006.