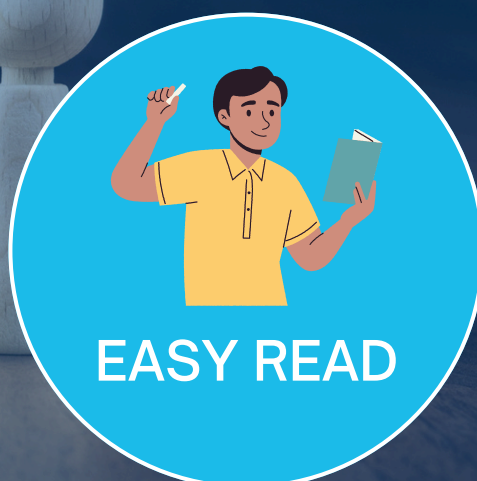




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CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Easy Read Guide



POLICY



This is a policy about supporting children. Interaction makes sure you are safe and protected in our care, especially if you are a child



Interaction will report all things that are said or seen about child abuse or neglect



If abuse or neglect does occur, Interaction will act quickly and carefully to protect you and organise what to do next



Interaction makes sure we only hire staff who have been checked with the police as safe people

STAFF



All Interaction staff have to report any abuse or neglect and can also report if they think there is a risk of you being hurt



Our staff will help you live in a safe and protected place free from being hurt



If staff think you are at high risk of being hurt they have to report it to their manager and possibly Community Services



Risk of being hurt can mean your needs are not being met

RISK OF BEING HURT



Risk of being hurt can mean your parents or carers are not helping you get the medical care you need



Risk of being hurt can mean your parents or carers are not letting you go to school or learn new things



Risk of being hurt can mean being physically or sexually hurt



Risk of being hurt can mean you are living in a house where there has been violence and you are at risk

RISK OF BEING HURT



Risk of being hurt can mean your parents or carers have treated you in a way that makes you feel hurt.



Risk of being hurt can mean you have no family or carer and are homeless or at risk of having no home



Risk of being hurt can mean you have been married too early



You have a report from before you were born and you were not kept safe

WHAT INTERACTION CAN DO



Interaction will help you if someone hurts you
or we are worried someone is hurting you



Interaction will act immediately if someone
hurts you or we are worried someone is
hurting you



All staff must keep your information
confidential unless the law says they have to
tell the police or your guardian



If someone treats you badly we can help you
make a complaint

WHAT YOU CAN DO



If you have a concern about staff, we can help you speak up



Staff will provide you with information about speaking to the police, getting help from the doctor or counselor if someone hurts you or we are worried someone is hurting you



If you are unable to give consent, we will talk to people you trust in how we can best help you



Staff will only talk to people you trust about someone hurting you if you said it is OK. Staff can help you do this too.

WHAT YOU CAN DO



Anyone you trust can help you make decisions about what to do



Anyone you trust can help you talk to the police, like your family, staff or friend