

A member of Social Work staff will:



take time to listen and take what you say seriously



**take steps** to make sure you are safe



**get medical help** if needed



**contact the police** if a crime is suspected



involve other professionals to make sure you get the help and support you need to stay safe



**contact an advocacy worker** who can help you and protect your rights.



For more Information or to report a concern:

Social Work Access Team on 030 33 33 3001 or

or after 5pm and at weekends Social Work Out of Hours Service on 01387 273660.

You can also speak to a Health professional or Police Scotland. **Call 101 or** 

999 if it is an emergency.

We will take your concerns seriously.

If you See something! Say something!

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What is Adult Support and Protection?



### What is the Adult Support and Protection Act?



The Act is a law to protect people from being harmed and provide support to help them stay safe.

## Who is it for?

You might be an "adult at risk" if you are:

- being hurt or treated badly by someone
- hurting yourself
- needing support to stay safe.
  This might be because you have a disability or suffer from a mental illness or are physically unwell.

Harm is always wrong

# What is harm?



**Sexual Harm** Any type of sexual contact, including sexual images on social media without consent.

#### Psychological Harm Emotional conduct wh

Emotional conduct which causes fear, alarm or distress. Including coercive control.



#### **Neglect / Self Neglect** You or people in your life are not helping to keep you safe and well.



#### **Physical Harm**

Being hurt, for example hitting, slapping, punching, kicking, biting and pushing.



**Financial Harm** When someone takes your money or stops you having

access to your money.



Self-Harm

This can inculde a person misusing drugs, alcohol, hitting or cutting themselves.

# **Your Rights**

The Act aims to find a balance between taking steps to protect you from harm but also respecting your rights as an adult.

Your feelings matter and you have a right to make choices.

Anyone can cause harm including family, friends or staff.

# **Speak Out**

if you think someone is being harmed or if someone is harming you.