



NWG The National Referral Mechanism (NRM) - What? Why? How? Training



The CSCP as part of their ongoing specialist training opportunities have commissioned NWG to deliver a short 2-hour course on [The National Referral Mechanism \(NRM\) – What? Why? How?](#) The course will explain what the NRM is including what happens when a child becomes an adult and submitting additional information, how the NRM benefits children and where it fits in legislation before taking you step by step through completing an NRM referral.

The course is aimed at practitioners working with children and young people and those who may be at risk of child exploitation/modern slavery.

The training will be delivered by Karen Laing from NWG and will take place on the following dates (bookable via Eventbrite).

Thursday 20th April 2023 (1pm - 3pm) [Click here to book your place](#)

Tuesday 26th September 2023 (10am - 12pm) [Click here to book your place](#)

New Dates - Level 3 Safeguarding Training - Childminders & Early Years

[Working to Safeguard Children](#)

The CSCP is running a series of virtual sessions Working in Partnership to Manage Risk. These workshops are aimed at frontline practitioners and professionals. This course is the main learning event aimed at achieving Level 3 competencies.



Both [Level 1 - Safeguarding and Child Protection](#), and [Level 2 - Safeguarding Responsibilities, Threshold Guidance & Referral Process](#) must be undertaken prior to Level 3.

- Wednesday 26 April 2023 (3 - 6pm) Childminders and Early Years Specific - delivered via Microsoft Teams
- Wednesday 14 June 2023 (3 - 6pm) Childminders and Early Years Specific - delivered via Microsoft Teams.

To book your place on this course please

To book your place, all Council staff log into [MyLearning](#) and search for the specific course. All non-council users are required to log into [MyLearning](#), those that haven't registered already please create a new account, following the guidance on the website.

Cumbria Safeguarding Hub

From 1 April the current Cumbria-wide Safeguarding Hub will be replaced by **Cumberland Safeguarding Hub** and **Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub**.

If you are concerned about a child who lives in Allerdale, Carlisle or Copeland you will contact the Cumberland Safeguarding Hub.

If you are concerned about a child who lives in Barrow, Eden or South Lakeland you will contact the Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub.

Information on how to make a referral will continue to be accessed via the current page on the CSCP website, the changes will go live on 1 April 2023:

<https://www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/professionals/hub/whattodoifyouhaveconcernsaboutachild.asp>

Each new hub will have its own single contact form, phone number and email address:

Cumberland Safeguarding Hub

- Telephone Number - 0333 240 1727
- Email Address – safeguarding.hub@cumberland.gov.uk

Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub

- Telephone Number - 0300 373 2724
- Email Address – safeguarding.hub@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk

Until 1 April 2023 you will continue to contact the current Cumbria Safeguarding Hub.

What to do if you have concerns about a child out of hours

If you require an response outside of working hours (Weekends, Bank Holidays and between 5pm (4:30pm on Fridays) and 8:00am during the week) contact the Emergency Duty Team (EDT) on **0300 373 2724**.

Early Help Consultancy Advice and Guidance

From 1 April the Early Help consultancy, advice and guidance contact information will change.

If you require Early Help consultancy, advice and guidance for families in Allerdale, Carlisle or Copeland the consultation number for Cumberland is: 03003 033 896.

If you require Early Help consultancy, advice and guidance for families in Barrow, Eden or South Lakeland the consultation number for Westmorland and Furness is: 0300 373 2723.

The paperwork you use for Early Help is not currently changing and all information and templates will still be accessed via the CSCP website: <https://www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/earlyhelp.asp>

Local Authority Designated Officer - LADO

Cumbria LADO service will continue to cover both local authority footprints - Cumberland and Westmorland and Furness.

If you have concerns regarding someone who works with a child including foster carers and volunteers these should be reported to the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO). This applies to all paid, unpaid, volunteers, casual, agency employees or anyone working in a self-employed capacity.

Information on LADO including how to contact and the referral form will still be accessed via the CSCP website
[:https://www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/professionals/lado.asp](https://www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/professionals/lado.asp)

National Emergency Alert System 23 April 2023

Are you aware of the Government plans to test the national emergency alert system on Sunday 23rd April 2023?

If you are a victim of domestic abuse and use a secret mobile phone, please turn it off prior to testing.

For further information see [here](#).



NSPCC Free Course - Talk Relationships



The NSPCC are offering for a limited time a free course called Talk Relationships. The NSPCC want all young people to grow up understanding healthy behaviours in relationships, recognising their right to be safe, heard and respected, and to get help from a trusted adult if they need it.

The course includes an eLearning course, lesson plans and a dedicated helpline to provide advice and guidance in secondary school educator.

You can access further information and how to access the course by clicking on the link below.

[Talk Relationships: delivering sex and relationships education | NSPCC Learning](#)

Legal Age to Marry



The Marriage and Civil Partnership (Minimum Age) Act 2022 has come into force on 27th February 2023.

This means that 16 and 17-year-olds will no longer be allowed to marry or enter a civil partnership under any circumstances, even if they have parental consent.

Previously forced marriage was only an offence if the person used a type of coercion, for example threats, to cause someone to marry, or if the person lacks capacity to consent to marry under the Mental Capacity Act.

It will therefore now be an offence to cause a child under the age of 18 to enter a marriage in any circumstances, without the need to prove that a form of coercion was used. The forced marriage offence will continue to include ceremonies of marriage which are not legally binding, for example in community or traditional settings.

The CSCP Policy and Procedure on Forced Marriage explains warning signs that a child or young person may be at risk of forced marriage. You can access the policy and procedure [here](#).

https://cumbrialscb.proceduresonline.com/chapters/p_force_marriage.html



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