

# Hertfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board





What happens when abuse is reported?



## Hertfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board (HSAB)

Working together to keep people safe



Adults at Risk are people who cannot take care of themselves or stop someone else from hurting or abusing them.



**Abuse** is when someone says or does something that hurts someone or makes them scared and unhappy.



**Abuse is wrong** and must be reported.

It can happen anywhere and be done by anyone.

#### Some types of abuse are;



#### **Physical**

Can be hitting, slapping, giving the wrong medication or hurting someone.



#### **Domestic Abuse**

Abuse in the home by a partner or family member.



#### Sexual

Someone touching the person or doing something to them that they have not agreed to.



#### **Psychological**

Abuse that makes the person feel worried, scared or unhappy



#### **Neglect and Acts of Omission**

Not giving someone food, drink, care, medication or access to help.



#### **Financial**

Taking money or belongings. Not allowing the person to have their money



# Reporting Abuse In an Emergency- 999

Adult Care Services-03001234042

Mental Health Services-0300 777 0707



#### What happens next?

The person will be asked about the abuse and what they would like to happen next. They will be listened to.



#### **Safeguarding Meeting**

The meeting will be with the person and important people in their life. They will agree with the person some help to keep them safe.

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This easy read booklet about Safeguarding Adults was made by the Hertfordshire Safeguarding Adults Board July 2017

