

# Reflecting on child protection



## How do you protect children with visitors?

When visitors come into the service they increase risk for children. Look at the systems you have in place to ensure visitors are closely monitored, adequate information on regular visitors is gathered, children know how to recognise and respond to visitors etc.



## How do you protect children's online presence?

While marketing services online is common practice, as is digital documentation, once children's photos are shared online there is very little control over how they are used by others and how they are shared on. What systems do you have in place to protect children in this way?



## How do you teach children about consent?

Children can give consent from a very young age, as their body language and cries let you know whether they feel safe or not in a situation. How do you respect children's consent? How do you explain why some things need to happen, but can still be child-focused such as nappy changes?



## How do you support children's wellbeing?

When children feel safe and secure in a place they recognise when other situations do not create the same sense of belonging. Focusing on children's wellbeing within the service allows children to identify when other places do not, and therefore they are more likely to speak up about their concerns.



## How do you support families in crisis?

When families are in crisis the likelihood of children being at risk is higher. Having tools you can offer families to minimise their stress and offer some support helps them come out of the crisis and this then removes the additional risk for the child.