# **PiPoT Allegation Management Flowchart – Plain Text Summary**

#### Purpose

- This process applies when there are concerns or allegations about someone in a position of trust who works with adults with care and support needs.
- Includes employees, volunteers, or students (paid or unpaid).
- Situations where the person may pose a risk of harm to adults with care and support needs.

# **Types of Concerns or Allegations**

- Harm or potential harm caused to an adult or child.
- Possible criminal offences against or related to an adult or child.
- Behavior suggesting the person may pose a risk to vulnerable adults.

### **Always Remember**

- Discuss the concern/allegation with your line manager, PiPoT or Safeguarding Lead
- Accurate and factual recording keeping is essential
- For further information please visit the SSAB website Person in Position of Trust <u>Framework and Process</u> and <u>7 mb briefing document (accessible/plain text</u> <u>version)</u>

# If a Crime May Have Been Committed

#### • Contact the police:

- Call 999 in an emergency.
- Call 101 or report online for non-emergencies.

The police will gather intelligence and lead the investigation.

- Also refer to:
  - LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer) for concerns involving children.
  - Children or Adult Social Care as appropriate.

#### **Assessing the Allegation**

Ask: Could this affect the person's suitability to work with adults or children?

- If Yes:
  - Follow your organisation's PiPoT policy.
  - Share information appropriately.
  - Refer to Adult Social Care Contact Team: Email: ASCpipotreferrals@nca.nhs.uk
    Phone: 0161 206 0604 (Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-4:30 pm)
- If No:
  - No further PiPoT action required.

# If the Allegation Involves an Adult with Care and Support Needs

- Follow Adult Safeguarding Policy and Procedures.
- Report to Adult Social Care <u>via the portal</u>.
- Follow the <u>Care Act 2014, Section 42</u> safeguarding process.

## If the Allegation Involves a Child

- Follow Children's Safeguarding Policy by reporting concerns through The Bridge <u>via the</u> <u>portal</u>
- Refer the case to <u>Salford Children's Services LADO</u> for further assessment and action.

# **Final Steps**

If the allegation is substantiated or concerns remain, the employer must:

- Take appropriate action.
- Refer the individual to the <u>DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service)</u> and any relevant professional bodies.