



# Safeguarding Newsletter



## Different Types of Abuse

### **Neglect**

Neglect is the ongoing failure to meet a child's basic needs and the most common form of child abuse, 1 in 10 children have experienced neglect.

#### **Physical Neglect**

A child's basic needs, such as food, clothing or shelter are not met or they are not properly supervised or kept safe.

#### **Educational Neglect**

A parent does not ensure that their child is given an education.

#### **Emotional Neglect**

A child does not get the nurture and stimulation they need. This could be through ignoring, humiliating, intimidating or isolating them.

#### **Medical Neglect**

A child isn't given proper health care. This includes dental care and refusing or ignoring medical recommendations.

### **Potential signs of Neglect - What might be the indicators?**

#### **Poor Appearance & Hygiene**

Having the wrong clothes (no winter clothing), unwashed clothes, smelly and dirty, hungry and/or not having food.

#### **Health & Development Problems**

Poor language & social skills, regular illness, missed appointments, untreated injuries, weight & growth issues.

#### **Housing and Family Issues**

Being left alone for a long time, unsuitable home environment such as lack of heating, taking on the role of carer.

#### **Change in Behaviour**

Mood swings, self harm, missing school, clingy, aggressive, drug and alcohol use, withdrawn.

