

SAFEGUARDING POLICY OF PEACE WITHIN YOGA THERAPY

This Safeguarding Policy applies to all staff or any person working on behalf of Peace Within Yoga Therapy (herein after referred to as PWYT) at any location or premises. PWYT recognises that safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone within the organisation and therefore ensure that procedures are in place so that each person knows what is expected of them and understand their roles and responsibilities. To ensure that the services delivered are to a high level of standard, PWYT ensures that all staff are trained in the field of yoga therapy and related fields. All staff are certified, accredited and supervised for the work that is carried out under the name of PWYT. All staff have an enhanced disclosure and barring check and that they have subscribed to the ongoing register. All staff have completed safeguarding training for both children and vulnerable adults and that this training is refreshed bi-annually. All staff are required to sign this policy to state they have read and understood it in its fullness, including any appendices.

PWYT Intentions:

We will protect the safety and wellbeing of all children, young people, adults and staff who use our service.

We will respond quickly to anything that concerns us and report where necessary to any statutory bodies that require notification.

We will, where safe work in partnership with children, young people and families to inform them of our concerns and promote welfare and safety.

We will store and maintain accurate and confidential records of any safeguarding incident we are involved in.

We will address without delay any failure to comply with the correct safeguarding procedures.

PWYT understands:

That all people regardless of age, ability or disability, sexual orientation, special needs, race, religion, residential status or any other identity have the right to protection from all types of harm and abuse.

That some children and adults such as those who are disabled or who have issues with communication are particularly vulnerable to abuse and will ensure that we do everything we can to ensure that all of our service users are understood and have a voice, so if needed they feel able to share safeguarding concerns.

Sometimes it is necessary to share information without the consent of the person whom the information belongs to. In these instances, the Designated Safeguarding Officer will liaise with the Local Authority to ask for support in making this decision.

PWYT will seek to keep our clients safe by:

- Promoting a safe, non-judgmental and inclusive environment for our clients to share and explore their thoughts and feelings.
- Providing a space where our clients feel listened to, heard and the freedom to express.
- Offering a kind and compassionate response to the Client at all times.
- Valuing and respecting other's opinions, values thoughts and beliefs.
- Promoting positive behaviour.
- Working with a range of other professional agencies to share information and ask for support.
- Having a clear procedure in complaints and safeguarding.

This policy will be reviewed annually and may also be reviewed in the following circumstances:

Any changes in legislation or government guidance.	
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Read and understood by	
Signature	
Date	