# Southwark Council LogoSouthwark Safeguarding Adults Concern Form

# For Professionals

This form is to be used to notify Adult Social Care of suspected or actual instances of abuse or neglect. Where a criminal act may have been committed against a vulnerable adult, the police must also be notified.

This form should be completed as fully as possible in order that robust decisions can be made about how the concern will be progressed.

Details of where to send this referral are available at the end of this form.

## 1. Information about the adult at risk

| **Name** |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Date of Birth** |  |
| **Telephone** |  |
| **Ethnicity** |  |
| **Home address** |  |
| **Postcode** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Type of accommodation** | Own Home  Residential care home  Nursing care home  Extra Care Housing  Supported living  Other |
| **Present location of adult if different from above** |  |

## 2. Involvement of the adult at risk

| **Are you of the view that the adult has mental capacity to consent to this safeguarding concern being made?** | Yes  No |
| --- | --- |
| **If not, has a mental capacity assessment been undertaken?** | Yes  No |
| **Please provide a summary of your conclusion from your mental capacity assessment.** |  |
| **If the adult has capacity to consent, have they consented to the referral?**  *Consent should be sought by explaining to the adult the benefits of sharing information and that sharing information will enable all agencies to work together with the adult to create a safety plan.* | Yes  No |
| **If not, please indicate on what legal grounds you are overriding consent** | Public interest (risks to others)  Risk of serious harm to self  Suspected serious crime  Adult at risk lacks mental capacity to provide consent (best interests decision made)  Ability to consent is affected by threatening or coercive behaviour  Seeking consent would increase risks to the adult or others |
| **Other – please state** |  |
| **Do you think the adult at risk would have substantial difficulty participating in the safeguarding process?** | Yes  No |
| **If yes, is there a suitable person who could represent them? (e.g. family member, friend, advocate)** | Unknown  Yes  No |
| **Please provide the name and contact details of this suitable person** |  |
| **What does the adult at risk (or their representative) say that they want to happen as a result of the Safeguarding Adults concern? What are their desired outcomes?** |  |

**Safeguarding enquiry (s42) criteria**

| **What care and support needs does the adult have?** |  |
| --- | --- |
| **How do these needs prevent the adult from protecting themselves?** |  |

## 3. Information about the alleged abuse / risk of abuse

**Details of the person alleged to have caused harm**

*We appreciate that you may not have detailed information regarding the person alleged to have caused harm, if you do not have contact details please leave blank*

| **Name** |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Telephone number** |  |
| **Relationship to the adult at risk** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **If the alleged perpetrator is a staff/volunteer, provide details (include employer, job role, work address):** |  |
| **Are they an adult with care and support needs?** | Yes  No |
| **Details of care and support needs (if applicable):** |  |
| **Any other details about the alleged abuser(s):** |  |

**Type of abuse** – please mark all that apply

Physical ☐

Female Genital Mutilation

Sexual

Psychological / Emotional

Organisational

Sexual exploitation

Financial / Material Theft

Rogue trading / scamming

Misuse of legal authority

Misuse of financial affairs by third party

Neglect / Acts of omission

Self-neglect

Hoarding

Non-compliance with care

Domestic Abuse

Honour based violence

Forced marriage

Cuckooing

Discriminatory abuse

Modern Slavery

Human trafficking

Forced labour

Domestic servitude

## Details of alleged abuse

| **Date of incident** |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Time of incident** |  |
| **Location** |  |
| ***Please use this box to give a detailed description of what the concerns are, what has happened, who is involved, any witnesses and any other comments you feel are relevant. If the concern relates to physical abuse please also provide a body map.*** |  |
| **Is the adult at risk of further abuse / neglect?** | Unknown  Yes  No |
| **What has been done to ensure the immediate safety of the adult at risk?**  (Completing and submitting this form does not constitute management of immediate risks.) |  |
| **Has this concern been reported to the Police?**  **Please provide the outcome of the Police action and Police CAD number (if available):** | Yes  No |
| **Are there any risks to others (other adults and children)?** | Yes  No  Unknown |
| **If yes, please provide details** –please include who this information has been shared with – e.g. Police, Children’s Social Care, MAPPA etc. If there are risks to children, you must notify Children’s Services [MASH@Southwark.gov.uk](mailto:MASH@Southwark.gov.uk) |  |

## 5. Details about the person completing this form

| **Name** |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Organisation name** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Date of referral** |  |
| **Job title** |  |
| **Organisation address** |  |
| **Phone number** |  |

## 6. Where to send this form

Please forward this form to the relevant team, as follows:

For older people and adults with a physical, sensory disability:

Phone: 020 7525 3324

[OPPDcontactteam@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:OPPDcontactteam@southwark.gov.uk)

For adults with a learning disability:

Phone: 020 7525 2333

[LearningDisabilitiesDuty@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:LearningDisabilitiesDuty@southwark.gov.uk)

For adults (18-65 years) with a mental illness:

Phone: 020 7525 0088

[MHContact@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:MHContact@southwark.gov.uk)

For adults who do not have recourse to public funds:

Phone: 020 7525 4496

[NRPF@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:NRPF@southwark.gov.uk)

For concerns in relation to modern day slavery:

[Modernslaveryreferrals@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:Modernslaveryreferrals@southwark.gov.uk)

## 7. What happens next

Southwark adult social care will use the information in this form to make an assessment of the level of risk, harm and vulnerability of the adult at risk. Further information may be required from you and other organisations involved. This assessment, alongside the desired outcomes of the adult at risk (or their representative) will determine whether the case is progressed to a Safeguarding Adults Enquiry. The initial decision to progress, or not, is made by a Safeguarding Adults Manager.

Feedback will be provided to the person who completed this form, unless specified otherwise. If you disagree with the decision that has been made, please escalate your concerns to the relevant team for the attention of the Safeguarding Adults Manager.

If you have a general enquiry about safeguarding adults in Southwark, you can contact the Safeguarding Adults Team via email: [SafeguardingAdultsCoordinator@southwark.gov.uk](mailto:SafeguardingAdultsCoordinator@southwark.gov.uk)