

Services For Education

Safeguarding Acronyms:

The world of safeguarding is complex. Certain terms crop up again and again and tend to get shortened for speed – but this can appear overwhelming!

Here is a quick guide to some common safeguarding acronyms.

ACEs	Adverse Childhood Experiences
CCE	Child Criminal Exploitation
CIN	Child in Need (section 20)
CME	Child Missing Education
CP	Child Protection
CSC	Children's Social Care
CSE	Child Sexual Exploitation
DA	Domestic Abuse
DBS	Disclosure and Barring service
DDSL	Deputy Designed Safeguarding Lead
EH	Early Help – supporting a child and their family as soon as a problem emerges
EHE	Elective Home Education
FGM	Female Genital Mutilation
FII	Fabricated or Induced Illness
FM	Forced Marriage
HBV/HBA	So-called Honour Based Violence/So-called Honour Based Abuse
HSB	Harmful Sexual Behaviour
ICPC	Initial Child Protection Conference
KCSIE	Keeping Children Safe in Education 2021 – an education specific statutory guidance document
LAC	Looked After Children
LADO	Local Authority Designated Officer
LCSPR	Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review
LSCP	Local Safeguarding Children Partnership – every local authority area has one and they co-ordinate and ensure the effectiveness of organisations that work with children with a view to safeguarding
MASH	Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub
POT	Position of Trust
PR	Parental Responsibility
PVE	Preventing Violent Extremism – part of the government counter-terrorism strategy
R(S)HE	Relationships (Sex) and Health Education – this is statutory
RFE/MARF	Request for Support form / Multi Agency Referral Form – referring a CP case to statutory agencies
RHRT	Right Help Right Time – this is the name of the threshold document and model of service delivery in many local authority areas, others may have a slightly different name
S47	Section 47 Enquiries – investigation into whether to initiate Child Protection procedures
SCR	Single Central Record or Serious Case Review (old name for LCSPR)
SG	Safeguarding
SR	Safer Recruitment
SVSH	Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment
SWP	Safer Working Practice
VAWG	Violence against Women and Girls
WT	Working Together to Safeguard Children – an inter-agency statutory guidance document