

Child Protection Training for *Designated Liaison Persons*

Duration: 1 day

Group size: 16
participants per training

This training can be tailored to meet the specific needs of your organisation.

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“The designated liaison person (DLP) should be knowledgeable about child protection and should be provided with any training considered necessary to fulfil this role. The DLP is responsible for ensuring that reporting procedures within your organisation are followed, so that child welfare and protection concerns are referred promptly to Tusla” (Children First 2017, pg. 35 & 36)

Children First 2017 promotes that organisations and clubs have a Designated Liaison Person in place who is responsible for overseeing child protection and welfare concerns.

This training will equip you with the knowledge and skills required to effectively perform the role of Designated Liaison Person.

Guidance will be provided to help you work through the elements of the Designated Liaison Person role, including supporting staff, managing anxieties and ensuring child protection and welfare referrals are made to the relevant statutory services.

Training Outcomes

After taking part in the training, participants will be able to:

- Recognise their **legal responsibilities in relation to child protection**
- Recognise **the signs and symptoms** of abuse
- **Explain the role of the designated liaison person** in supporting staff and managing child protection situations
- Demonstrate **how to speak with parents** effectively when child protection concerns arise
- Describe how to deal with **allegations of abuse against staff members**
- Identify best practice in relation to **child protection recording and reporting**
- State organisational responsibilities re; **child safeguarding**

The course will include a presentation and interactive group work exercises

This training is based on current legislation, national guidance and best practice outlined in *Children First 2017*, the *Children First Act 2015* and the *Child Care Act 1991*.