

Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI)

Central Referral Unit

Tel: 02890 259299 (or 101 extension 30299)

The Public Protection Arrangements for Northern Ireland have changed from 1 April 2015. The Child Abuse Investigation Units (CAIUs) are now co-terminous with the Health and Social Care Trust boundaries.

To make contact with the PSNI about suspected child abuse contact the Central Referral Unit (CRU) based in Belfast and they will take the details. The case will then be allocated to the Child Abuse Investigation Unit *in whose area the alleged offence occurred*.

When you are referring to the CRU ensure that you request that the investigating officer contact you directly. This will then prompt the CRU staff member to include your request for contact in the onward referral to the appropriate Child Abuse Investigation Unit.

Social Services Contacts – Gateway Teams

All **Child Protection** referrals should be sent in writing on UNOCINI template **within 24 hours** of the telephone referral.

All **Child in Need** referrals should be sent in writing on UNOCINI template **within 48 hours** of the school decision to refer.

The UNOCINI referral should be marked 'Confidential' and addressed to the Senior Social Worker, Social Services Gateway Team

Belfast EA Region

Gateway 02890 507000
Children's Services Gateway Team, 110 Saintfield Road, Belfast, BT8 6HD

Care and Protection Team (18 +) 02895 041744

North Eastern EA Region

Gateway 0300 1234333

Southern EA Region

Gateway Team 0800 783 7745

South Eastern EA Region

Gateway Team 0300 1000 300

Western EA Region

Gateway Team 02870 314090

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028 9504 9999 (5pm – 8am Monday - Thursday, Friday 5pm – Monday 8am)