



PERSONALISED CARE SOLUTIONS FOR PEOPLE IN NEED
Younger/Older Adults | Learning Disabilities | Palliative Care | Sensory Impairment
Physical Disabilities | Mental Health | Health Care | Respite Support | Personal Budgets

Report Abuse

Adult Abuse?

Abuse can take place in many different ways and can happen in the adults home, hospital, or in a residential or nursing home

Anyone can be responsible for abuse including partners, family members, friends, carers and care workers.

Who is at risk of abuse?

Those who are at risk are people aged 18 years and are known as “vulnerable adults.” They may need community care services because of their disability, age or illness and are or may be unable to take care of themselves or unable to protect themselves against harm or exploitation.

Examples of Adult Abuse

Adult abuse can include any of the following:-

- 1) **Physical** - hitting, kicking, slapping or overdose, incorrect or provision of medication that is not necessary.
- 2) **Sexual** - rape or sexual acts which the adult does not consent to.
- 3) **Emotional** - control, intimidate or verbally abusing the adult involved.
- 4) **Financial/material**- fraud, theft or misuse of property or finances.
- 5) **Neglect** - Ignoring a person’s medical or physical care needs, or withholding basic eg food, heating
- 6) **Discriminatory** - abuse motivated by prejudice, eg racism or sexism.
- 7) **Institutional** - bad practice by large organisations eg providing little or no choice.

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Who to contact if I am concerned?

Emergency

If you ever feel in immediate danger or think someone else may be in immediate danger, dial 999.

If you suspect abuse it is important that you report your concerns to your local social services office or the police.

Report Abuse useful links

Sandwell

http://www.sandwell.gov.uk/info/200216/adults_and_older_people/2209/report_adult_abuse

Walsall

<http://cms.walsall.gov.uk/adultabuse>

Birmingham

<http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/safeguardingadults>

Leicester

<http://www.leicester.gov.uk/your-council-services/social-care-health/adults/staying-safe/reporting-abuse/>