

**Lister Medical Centre**  
**Safeguarding Statement - Children**

Lister Medical Centre acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice as set out in the Royal College of GPs Safeguarding Toolkit.

The policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children are paramount in all circumstances.

**Our Policy - What we'll do**

As part of our safeguarding policy, we will:

- ✓ promote and prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children and young people
- ✓ ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation
- ✓ adopt safeguarding best practice through our policies, procedures and code of conduct for staff
- ✓ ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and young people
- ✓ provide effective management for staff through supervision, support, training and quality assurance measures so that all staff know about our policies, procedures and behaviour codes and follow them confidently and competently
- ✓ appoint a nominated safeguarding lead and deputy for safeguarding
- ✓ the policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for all employees/staff at Lister Medical Centre.

The terms 'child' and 'young person' describe any person under the age of 18.

This statement was last reviewed on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Signed .....

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