

Safeguarding Message for early years Leads from the Department for Education – 18 June 2020

Dear Early Years leads

Please see the attached leaflet and link below for your information.

**Right now, vulnerable children and adults may be particularly isolated, meaning that the family, community and professional networks they usually rely on may be unavailable or hard to access. At the same time, living under the current arrangements may increase the pressures that can contribute to abuse and neglect, or allow it to go unseen. Neighbours, volunteers and professionals can play a vital role in keeping adults and children safe.**

**The Home Office, in collaboration with a number of other government departments, has produced information and guidance for those who are operating in communities and may not be trained to recognise the signs of abuse or neglect. The guidance covers signs to spot and what to do if there is a concern.**

A full list of the assets available is in the following link (including web-friendly versions) for stakeholders to download artwork to print their own leaflets and posters, so please also share this too if it will help –

<https://homeoffice.brandworkz.com/BMS/albums/?album=2092&lightboxAccessID=9AD9C142-A301-458E-8BE489B20777137A>