

## **Child Protection Policy**

IYASU Healthcare is committed to help protect children from harm. The medical team recognises and accepts their responsibilities in developing awareness of the issues that can lead to harm in children.

We will endeavour to safeguard children by:

- 1. Adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and a code of conduct for the medical team.
- 2. Making staff and patients' aware that we take child protection seriously and respond to concerns about the welfare of children.
- 3. Sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, and respond to concerns about the welfare of children.
- 4. Following carefully the procedures for staff recruitment and selection.
- 5. Providing effective management for staff by ensuring access to supervision, support and training.

Any person in this practice who suspects a child is being, or has been abused, or is at risk of abuse should discuss their concern with Dr Catherine Fernando and the Paediatrician on -call for Child Protection in Lothian.

## The PEDIATRICIAN ON CALL at Royal Hospital for Children & Young People:

## Telephone: 0131 312 0499

The NHS Lothian Child Protection Flow Chart (below) should be followed.

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