

Focus—Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE)

What is CCE?

Child Criminal Exploitation occurs where an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, control, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18. The victim may have been criminally exploited even if the activity appears consensual. Child Criminal Exploitation does not always involve physical contact; it can also occur through the use of technology.

What should I be vigilant for?

- Returning home late, staying out all night or going missing
- Being found in areas away from home
- Increasing drug use, or being found to have large amounts of drugs on them
- Being secretive about who they are talking to and where they are going
- Unexplained absences from school, college, training or work
- Unexplained money, phone(s), clothes or jewellery
- Increasingly disruptive or aggressive behaviour
- Using sexual, drug-related or violent language you wouldn't expect them to know
- Coming home with injuries or looking particularly dishevelled
- Having hotel cards or keys to unknown places



SAFEGUARDING

What can I do if I have a concern?

- If you believe a child is at immediate risk dial 999
- Call 101 if you believe that a crime has been committed
- Call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111
- Make a referral to Social Services on 0300 555 0050



Where can I find more information?

www.nspcc.org.uk

www.childrensociety.org.uk

<https://safeguarding.dudley.gov.uk/safeguarding/changes/dsppb/>



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