

Are you interested in becoming a Safeguarding Champion?

What is a safeguarding champion?

A safeguarding champion is a voluntary role that will work alongside the safeguarding team to promote safeguarding across the service. A role description is available but in a nutshell a champion will be an enthusiast who is committed to the safeguarding of adults and children (including our staff/volunteers who at any point can be at risk).

What is the aim?

The overarching aim is to promote and champion across the service that all children, young people and adults are entitled to the same safeguarding protection regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, marital or civil partner status, pregnancy or maternity, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation or identity.

What will a champion do?

In practical terms champions will:

- Maintain an awareness of the EEAST safeguarding policy and procedures, including the referral processes. The champion will also develop good links with SPOC
- Act as a resource and point of contact for colleagues who require support and guidance with safeguarding issues. (but not to submit referrals on behalf of the service area.)
- Share safeguarding information received to colleagues including displaying information in communal areas
- Maintain safeguarding as a standing agenda item at team meetings/huddles





- Encourage colleagues to recognise and be aware of trends and themes within their area and communicate to line managers and the safeguarding team.
- Commit to attending the Safeguarding Champions Forum and maintaining their Level 3 training.
- To report back to the Safeguarding Team feedback on any safeguarding systems issues

A more detailed <u>role description</u> is available

Will there be training available?

The role requires that you will be level 3 trained, as a minimum but support can be provided to help you to reach this if you are not quite there. Because of the nature of the role supervision will also be required.

How do I become a champion?

Just complete this <u>short form</u> to apply by [add deadline] and we will be in touch.

