**Annex B: Safeguarding policies (including Child Sexual Exploitation)**

The Service Provider’s Safeguarding policies and procedures will meet the Quality requirements agreed for the NHS Standard Contract for providers in the Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire area of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006.

* 1. The provider shall:
     1. ensure that all individuals engaged in Regulated Activity are subject to a valid enhanced disclosure check for regulated activity undertaken through the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS); and
     2. monitor the level and validity of the checks under this clause 1.2 for each member of staff;
     3. not employ or use the services of any person who is barred from, or whose previous conduct or records indicate that he or she would not be suitable to carry out Regulated Activity or who may otherwise present a risk to service users.

* 1. The provider has no reason to believe that any person who is or will be employed or engaged by the Supplier in the provision of the Services is barred from the activity in accordance with the provisions of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 and any regulations made thereunder, as amended from time to time.

* 1. The provider shall immediately notify the Authority of any information that it reasonably requests to enable it to be satisfied that the obligations have been met.
  2. The provider shall refer information about any person carrying out the Services to the DBS where it removes permission for such person to carry out the Services (or would have, if such person had not otherwise ceased to carry out the Services) because, in its opinion, such person has harmed or poses a risk of harm to the service users OR children OR vulnerable adults.
  3. The provider shall ensure that the welfare and rights of children and young people who access the service, either as a dependent or in their own right, remains paramount that all children and young people are effectively safeguarded with due consideration but not exclusively to the: Children’s Act 1989 2014, Human Rights Act 1998,United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), Homelessness Act 2002, Care Act 2014.
  4. The provider shall Ensure all staff and volunteers conform to Bristol City Council’s Safeguarding Policy and Procedures. These can be found at:

<https://bristolsafeguarding.org/>

* 1. The provider shall ensure that all staff have passed and hold a valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate.
  2. The provider will have a designated Safeguarding lead with expertise of both child and adult Safeguarding.
  3. The provider shall comply with any future amendments/ additions to such legislation