



SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

Sisters of Nazareth Irish Region

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN POLICY STATEMENT

As a constituent member of the Catholic Church in Ireland, we recognise and uphold the dignity and rights of all children, are committed to ensuring their safety and well-being, and will work in partnership with parents/guardians to do this. We recognise each child as a gift from God, and we value and encourage the participation of children in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development. All personnel (including clergy, religious, staff and volunteers) have a responsibility to safeguard children through promoting their welfare, health and development in a safe and caring environment that supports their best interests and prevents abuse. We are committed to safeguarding children through the implementation of the Safeguarding Children Policy and Standards for the Catholic Church in Ireland (2016). This statement has been prepared to comply with the requirements of the Children First Act 2015 and is derived from the Safeguarding Children Policy and Standards for the Catholic Church in Ireland (2016)

CHILDREN WHO VISIT NAZARETH HOUSE NURSING HOMES OR OUR CONVENTS IN THE IRISH REGION SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENT/GUARDIANS.

If you have any concerns about the safety and welfare of children you can contact the following persons or organisations:

The designated Safeguarding Children Liaison Person (Ireland)	John Rafferty, Chief Nursing Officer: Phone Number – 0044750 1500390
TUSLA	071 915 5133
Gardaí National Protection Service Bureau	01 6663423 / 01 6663435

You also can contact the Director of Nursing in the Nursing Home if you have any concerns about the safety and well-being of any child, young adult or a vulnerable person.