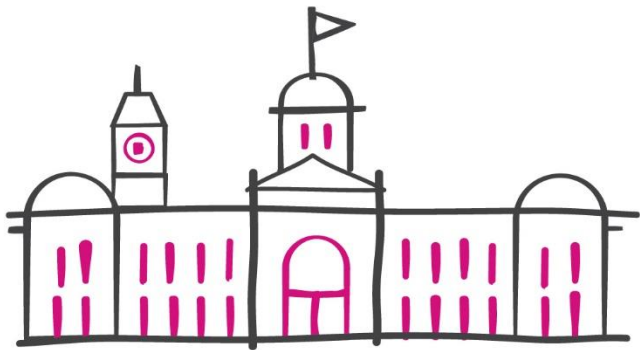


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Addendum to Model Safeguarding Policy and summary of changes to KCSIE 2025



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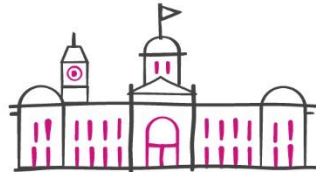
Summary of changes to KSCIE 2025

On 7 July 2025, the DfE published information (**Annex F**) of the latest changes to the Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) guidance and their rationale for doing so.

The DfE intend to publish the final version of KCSIE 2025 when it comes into force on 1 September 2025. They expect to include links to revised guidance on relationships, sex, and health education as well as gender questioning children.

There are technical only changes to KCSIE 2025, and future versions will reflect the:

- progress into legislation of the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill
- emerging further learnings from the work of the National Audit on Group-based Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and subsequent inquiries
- future work on tackling violence against women and girls



Annex F: Changes from KCSIE September 2024 version

- **Summary Section** – About the guidance (**no changes made**)
- **Part One** – Safeguarding Information for all staff (**no changes made**)
- **Part Two** – The management of safeguarding – as follows:

Page 36 Para 128 - DfE have added a note to say that they expect to publish revised guidance on Relationships, Sex, and Health Education this summer. If published, they will signpost to this guidance in September 2025.



- **Page 38 Para 135** - Updated to clarify misinformation, disinformation and conspiracy theories are safeguarding harms.
- **Page 40 Para 142** - Link added to the [plan technology for your school](#) service, which schools can use to assess themselves against the filtering and monitoring standards and receive personalised recommendations on how to meet them.
- **Page 41 Para 143** - Link added to DfE guidance on the use of generative AI in education (2025) at end of filtering and monitoring (FM) section to support schools and colleges.
- **Page 41 Para 144** - wording amended in the cybersecurity standards for schools and colleges advice to clarify that it was developed to help schools improve their cyber resilience.



- **Page 47 Para 169 - 170** information added that clarifies and reflects existing AP Guidance.
- **Page 49 Para 177** - updated to clarify 'working together to safeguard attendance' 'is now 'statutory' guidance.
- **Page 54 Para 199** - has been amended to clarify that the role of the virtual head has been extended to include responsibility for promoting the educational achievement of children in kinship care.
- **Page 56 Para 204** - DfE have added a note to say that they expect to publish the revised guidance on gender questioning children this summer. If published, they will signpost to this guidance in September 2025. Para 205 - removal of 'spectrum' and 'disorder' to align with SEND code of practice.



Part Three – Safer Recruitment

- **Page 74 Para 260** - reference to TRA's Employer Access Service removed and replaced with new link to GOV.UK page.
- **Page 75 Para 266** - references to TRA's Employer Access Service removed and replaced with new link to GOV.UK page.
- **Page 85 Para 319** - reference to Employer Secure Access removed and replaced with link to GOV.UK for S128 checks.
- **Page 87 Para 331** - information added that clarifies and reflects existing AP Guidance.



Part Four: Safeguarding concerns or allegations made about staff, including supply teacher, volunteers and contractors

- **Page 106 Para 422** - amended to correct the title of the Information Commissioner's employment practice guidance.



Part Five – Child-on child sexual violence and sexual harassment

- **Page 140 Para 545** - Link added to the Lucy Faithfull Foundation's 'Shore Space', which offers a confidential chat service supporting young people concerned about their own or someone else's sexual thoughts and behaviours. [Shore Space](#)



Additional changes

Annexes A, B, C, D and E	
Annex B - Page 157	Header removed.
Annex B – Page 163	Link added to the CSA Centre's Resources for education settings CSA Centre .
Annex B – Page 164	Link added to the Preventing Child Sexual Exploitation The Children's Society .



Video Link to KCSIE Changes

- [KCSIE Changes Information Video](#)



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