

Child Safeguarding in NHS Wales

Terms of Reference

Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW) checks the safety and quality of healthcare across Wales.

Hard Words

Hard words will be highlighted in **blue**, and a description will be in a box under the sentence. All hard words are also explained on page 7.



What is this review about?

HIW is carrying out a review of child **safeguarding** in NHS Wales Health Boards and Trusts.



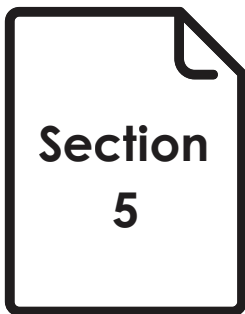
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The review looks at how health services protect children from harm.



The review looks at how health services respond to concerns about staff who work with children.



This is called **Section 5** in the Wales Safeguarding Procedures.



What is this review about?

- To help keep children safe
- To find examples of things that work well
- To find ways health services can improve





- To share learning across Wales.

The review has 3 stages:



Stage 1 – Evidence gathering

Evidence is information that helps HIW understand what is happening.



- Health services will send HIW information and documents



- HIW will look at how health services keep children safe, train staff, hire the right people, and learn when things go wrong



- HIW will also look at how children are listened to.



Stage 2 – Review of evidence and interviews

- HIW will review the information from health services



- HIW will meet with health services to talk about the evidence



- HIW will highlight things that work well and ways services can improve.



Stage 3 – Follow-up interviews

- HIW will talk to some health services after the review



- These discussions will look at how decisions are made, how concerns are raised, and how services work with other organisations



- HIW may look at meeting notes and other documents.

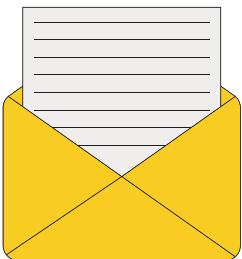
What will happen at the end?



- HIW will produce a report about what it found across Wales



- The report will explain what HIW found, what worked well, and where improvements may be needed across Wales



- Some health services may also receive feedback letters



- This will be shared with other inspection organisations to support a larger review.



How will information be protected?

- Information will be handled securely



- **Data protection laws** will be followed

Data protection laws are rules about keeping people's personal information safe and private.



- Reports will be written carefully to avoid identifying individuals.

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How to contact HIW

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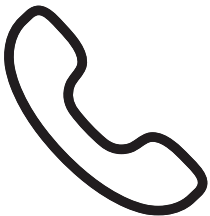


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