**Reporting a concern in relation to an adult**

If you have a safeguarding concern regarding a vulnerable or at-risk adult you can contact:

Ms. Ailish HigginsDiocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP)

Email: [dlp@kandle.ie](mailto:dlp@kandle.ie) Phone: 085 8021633

or Deputy DLPs Fr. MícheálMurphy Tel: 086 8244629

Ms. Michele Hughes Tel: 086 1710643

You can also contact the **Civil Authorities**

**The Gardai**

If you are experiencing abuse which is placing you or someone you know in immediate danger, you should contact the Gardai at 999 / 112.

If a person is being mistreated but is not in immediate danger you can report this to your local Garda station.

Anyone with information regarding a crime can ring the Garda Confidential Telephone Number 1800 666 111. The Garda Confidential line allows the public to call with confidential information relating to matters of abuse, crime or other activities

Garda National Protective Services Bureau

01 6663430 / 1800 555 222

**AND/OR**

**The Health Service Executive (HSE)**

The HSE provides health and social services to everyone living in Ireland. Their services are delivered to young and old, in hospitals, health facilities and in communities across the country.

If an adult is a victim of Abuse, is concerned about abuse, or if you suspect some adult you know may be a victim of abuse, you should contact the HSE safeguarding service, through your GP, Public Health Nurse, local Health Centre or any of the local Safeguarding and Protection Teams or An Garda Siochana.

HSE Safeguarding and Protection Teams are in place all over the country to provide help. Contact your local Safeguarding and Protection Team by choosing your [HSE Community Healthcare Organisation (CHO](https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/communications/chohg/cho-map.jpg)) Area below.

**HSE Safeguarding and Protection teams:**

Carlow, Kilkenny: Tel:   056 778 4325 Email: [safeguarding.cho5@hse.ie](mailto:safeguarding.cho5@hse.ie)

Wicklow: Tel: 01 216 4511 Email: [safeguarding.cho6@hse.ie](mailto:safeguarding.cho6@hse.ie)

Kildare, Wicklow:  Tel: 045 920410 Email: [safeguarding.cho7@hse.ie](mailto:safeguarding.cho7@hse.ie)

Laois, Offaly: Tel: 01 6914632 Email: [safeguarding.cho8@hse.ie](mailto:safeguarding.cho8@hse.ie)

Their website is: <https://www.hse.ie/eng/about/who/socialcare/safeguardingvulnerableadults/>