

HARMFUL SEXUAL BEHAVIOUR

Guidance, Resources and Research

GUIDANCE

Scottish Government
[National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland 2021](#)

RESOURCES

PROFESSIONALS

Scottish Government:

- [Expert Group on Preventing Sexual Offending Involving Children and Young People](#)
- [Key Messages for young people on healthy relationships and consent](#)

Education Scotland NIH:

- [Safeguarding: identify, understand and respond appropriately to sexual behaviours in young people](#)

Stop it Now! Scotland / Lucy Faithfull Foundation:

- [What is harmful sexual behaviour](#)
- [Preventing Harmful Sexual Behaviour in childhood and adolescence](#)
- [Children and young people in the online world](#)
- [Preventing harmful sexual behaviour toolkit](#)

NSPCC:

- [Protecting children from harmful sexual behaviour](#)
- [Harmful sexual behaviour framework](#)
- [Protecting children from peer-on-peer sexual abuse](#)

CYCJ:

- [Managing Risk of Serious Harm](#)

Marie Collins Foundation:

- [Online harm sexual reduction guide](#)

Barnardo's Wales:

- [HSB – A guide to support understanding and practice responses in Wales](#)

Safeguarding Board of Northern Ireland

- [SBNi Policy and Procedure – HSB](#)

PARENTS AND CARERS

Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood – National resource

- [rshp.scot](#)

Stop it Now! Scotland:

- Resources as professionals
- [Kinship carer cyber resilience training](#)

Thinkuknow:

- [Recognising harmful sexual behaviour by young people](#)

Marie Collins Foundation:

- [Sexual abuse online](#)

NCA-CEOP / Thinkuknow:

- [Nude Selfies - What Parents and Carers Need to Know](#)

Children's Commissioner

- [Talking to your child about online sexual harassment: A guide for parents](#)

NetAware (O2 and NSPCC):

- [Should I be worried about my child sharing videos and images online?](#)

INEQE Safeguarding Group:

- [Self-Generated Images: Guide to Taking Back Control](#)

Barnardo's Wales:

- [Harmful Sexual Behaviour – A parent's guide](#)

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Young Scot:

- [That's not OK: advice and support on relationships](#)

Childline:

- [Friends, relationships & sex: advice if you're having problems with relationships](#)

Brook:

- [Sexual health and wellbeing guide for young people](#)

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RESEARCH

Scottish Government

- [Engaging in risky online behaviour: Initial findings on prevalence and associated factors at age 12 from the Growing Up in Scotland survey \(2021\)](#)

Young Scot

- [Harmful Sexual Behaviours Online survey \(2021\)](#)
- [Attitudes to online sexual activities \(2019\)](#)

CYCJ

- [Harmful sexual behaviours by children \(2021\)](#)

Strathclyde University, School of Law

- [Is Restorative Justice an Effective Approach in Responding to Children and Young People Who Sexually Harm? \(2021\)](#)

CSA Centre for Expertise

- [Sibling sexual abuse: A knowledge and practice overview \(2021\)](#)

NSPCC

- [Harmful sexual behaviour: learning from case reviews \(2021\)](#)
- [Harmful sexual behaviour: statistics briefing \(2021\)](#)
- [How safe are our children? 2020](#)
- [Children and young people who engage in technology-assisted harmful sexual behaviour \(2017\)](#)

Internet Watch Foundation

- ['Beyond heart-breaking' abuse as predators groom children to film siblings and friends \(2021\)](#)

UK Safer Internet Centre

- [Children's views on reporting online harms \(2021\)](#)

Global Kids Online

- [Pathways from offline to online risk: new findings \(2021\)](#)

Council of Europe - Steering Committee For The Rights Of The Child

- [Sexual violence and harmful sexual behaviour displayed by children: Nature, causes, consequences and responses \(2020\)](#)

Better Internet for Kids

- [Unsafe insights on... inappropriate content \(2021\)](#)

CYCJ and Barnardo's Scotland

- [Over the Internet, Under the Radar: Prevention of Online Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation in Scotland \(2017\)](#)