

Child sexual exploitation is child abuse:

What can I do as a professional ?

- Stay alert to changes in behaviour or any physical signs of abuse
- Speak with your line manager
- Think about ways that you might support and help young people share information if they are worried about their own or another young person's situation
- Identify opportunities to educate young people and their parents about healthy relationships and about sexual exploitation
- Speak to social work services (01475-715365) or the police (101)

Know the Signs ?

- Going missing or returning home late
- Missing school
- Having unexplained gifts
- Having older boyfriends and girl friends
- Suffering from sexually transmitted infections
- Mood swings
- Drugs and alcohol misuse
- Displaying sexualised behaviour
- Be secretive about where they are going



Messages to Give to Young People

Be Safe in Your Relationships

- If someone makes you feel unsafe, pressured or frightened - speak to someone you trust
- Don't trust some one you don't know, even if they are friendly
- Online - don't give your personal details or meet someone you don't know
- Even if fun, don't be tricked into doing unsafe things

Thanks to Barnardos and more information can be found at <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/what-we-do/our-work/sexual-exploitation/cse-professionals/wud-u-app>



