

Lincolnshire referral information: SARCS

Sexual Assault Referral Centres

Far more children are sexually abused than services identify

Child sexual abuse in 2020/21: Trends in official data
[csacentre.org.uk](https://www.csacentre.org.uk)

2,600 children on a child protection plan due to child sexual abuse
(England and Wales)

46,000 children assessed at risk of sexual abuse*
(England)

89,000 child sexual abuse offences recorded by the police
(England and Wales)

500,000

children estimated to experience child sexual abuse every year**

Source: Home Office, Police recorded crime and outcomes, 2020/21; Department for Education, Characteristics of Children in Need, 2020/21. * Includes assessments in child sexual abuse and exploitation. ** Estimate calculated using single-year prevalence estimates by age group (Bedford et al 2011), childhood abuse and neglect in the UK today and the Office for National Statistics 2020 population estimates. Please note: numbers rounded to the nearest hundred.

Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse

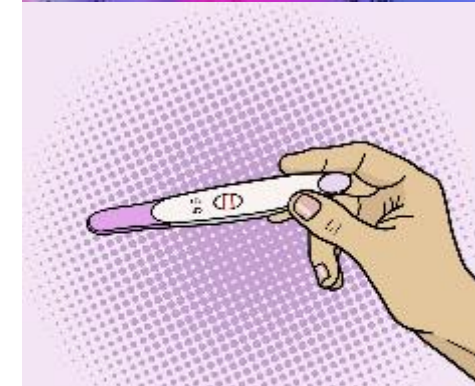
East Midlands Children and Young People's Sexual Assault Service

<https://www.emcypsas.co.uk/#>



Why refer

- Collection of forensic evidence
- Documentation of injuries
- Prevention of unwanted pregnancy
- Prevention and detection of sexually transmitted infections
- CYP sometimes give staff more information
- Reassure CYP and their carers



Single Point of Access for Advice & Referral **0800 1830023**



- **Single point of access answered by a Crisis Support Worker, can ask to speak to a clinician.**
- **24 hours per day, 7 days per week, 365 days per year for referral or advice.**
- **Acute sexual assault/abuse (within 21 days)**
- **Non-recent assault/abuse (more than 21 days)**
- **CYP up to the age of 18**
- **Adults with significant needs (e.g. learning disability) up to age 24 years**
- **Young people 16-18 have a choice as to whether they access the CYP or adult services.**
- **Self referrals are taken from YP 16 + under some circumstances**

Spring Lodge – Adult SARC

<https://www.lpft.nhs.uk/spring-lodge/home>

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Call us on [01522 524402](tel:01522524402) or



E-mail us at lpft.springlodge@nhs.net



Forensics in Sexual Assault

- Don't examine.
 - If there are any injuries, FME will body map and arrange CSI photography
 - Victim can self-refer to Spring Lodge
 - The victim can report to the police who then arrange Spring Lodge attendance
 - Spring lodge can arrange Hep B vaccination if appropriate (with GP follow up for remainder of the accelerated schedule, a letter is sent to GP if the complainant consents), HIV PEP if indicated and sexual health clinic follow up
 - GP can prescribe contraception
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- Good resource for professionals is on Spring Lodge website at [I'm a professional supporting someone :: Spring Lodge Centre \(lpft.nhs.uk\)](http://lpft.nhs.uk)



- Also consider:
 - Social Care Referral
 - POLICE – if immediate risk of harm/danger

- If you need advice or support, consider contacting LICB safeguarding team:
 - licb.safeguarding1@nhs.net
 - 07815 970 567