

Learner Referral Links

At Merit Skills we aim to create a learning environment based on trust and mutual respect. Our staff are always available to listen if you have a concern that relates to your own, or others, wellbeing. If you prefer not to talk to us but wish to seek some confidential support then you can use the list below which provides you with contact details for a variety of agencies that are specialists in their own areas.

Cambridgeshire County Council Safeguarding Adults

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/safeguardingmca

Other helpful organisations:

Mental Health

Cambridgeshire Independent Advocacy Service Tel: 01223 218500

Mind Tel: 0300 123 3393 Text: 86463

Samaritans Tel: 116 123 www.samaritans.org

Disabilities

Disability Cambridgeshire Tel: 01480 839195 www.disability-cambridgeshire.org.uk

Disability Huntingdonshire Tel: 01480 830833 www.dish.org.uk

Cam Sight Tel: 01223 420033 www.camsight.org.uk

Sense East Tel: 01954 267056 www.sense.org.uk

Total Voice Tel: 0300 2225704 www.totalvoicecp.org

Learning Disabilities

Mencap Tel: 0808 808 1111 www.mencap.org.uk

Scope Tel: 0800 800 3333 www.scope.org.uk

Domestic Abuse Information

National Domestic Violence 24-hour helpline: Tel: 0808 2000 247

www.nationaldomesticviolencehelpline.org.uk

Men's Advice Line: Tel: 0808 8010 327 www.mensadvice.org.uk

Galop: Tel: 0800 999 5428 www.galop.org.uk

Women's Aid (9.30am-6pm) Tel: 01223 460947 www.womensaid.org.uk

Safeguarding Children

If a child is in immediate danger you should contact the Police/Ambulance on 999

If there is no immediate danger or you need advice or information you should call:

Children's Social Care Services Tel: 0345 045 5203 (8am – 6pm – Monday to Friday)

Emergency Duty Team Tel: 01733 234724

Other sources of information

Web sites

The following web sites may offer useful information advice or guidance to help you in your studies or for your future career development:

Awarding bodies

City and Guilds	cityandguilds.com
ILM	www.i-l-m.com
CABWI	cabwi.co.uk

Career opportunities

Talent Source Network	https://www.talentsourcenetwork.co.uk/entry-level
Apprenticeships.gov	http://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/the_apprentices
First Job	https://www.firstjob.com/
National Careers Service	https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/Pages/Home.aspx
Notgoingtouni	http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/

General Information

Connexions Direct	http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/YoungPeople/index.htm
Citizens Advice Bureau	www.citizensadvice.org.uk/
Stay Safe Online	www.staysafeonline.info
Youth to Youth	www.youth2youth.co.uk
TheSite.org	www.thesite.org
The Samaritans	www.samaritans.org.uk/
Mind	https://www.mind.org.uk/
National Autistic Society	http://www.autism.org.uk/
FamilyLine	http://www.familyline.org.uk/
National Childbirth Trust	https://www.nct.org.uk/
ACAS	http://www.acas.org.uk/
Diabetes UK	https://www.diabetes.org.uk/
FRANK	http://www.talktofrank.com/
Alcoholics Anonymous	http://www.aa.org/
Bullying UK	http://www.bullying.co.uk/
National Bullying Helpline	http://www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/
Positively UK	http://positivelyuk.org/

SARC (Sexual Assault Referral Centre)

Peterborough: <http://fis.peterborough.gov.uk/kb5/peterborough/fsd/service.page?id=xOP8-rgC3uA>

SARC Huntingdon: <http://www.theelmssarc.org/>

SARC West Midlands: <http://www.horizonsarc.org.uk/>

SARC Thames Valley: <http://servicesguide.slough.gov.uk/kb5/slough/services/service.page?id=iqfdPc-IgGY>

SARC Wales: <http://www.newpathways.org.uk/sexual-assault-referral-centre/>

The Survivors Trust: <http://thesurvivorstrust.org/isva/>