

Protection of Vulnerable Adults Policy

The following principles have been adopted by CREST Waltham Forest to protect vulnerable adults receiving our services.

CREST Waltham Forest is committed to providing greater protection to vulnerable adults, victims of adult abuse and those people who voice their concerns and suspect incidents of abuse.

CREST has a responsibility to ensure that all our staff understand the risks of adult abuse, and know how to respond to allegations of abuse. In addition, we will work to ensure that as much public information as possible is made available so that relatives, friends and carers of vulnerable adults are aware of the procedures and support systems available should they have any concerns.

CREST has a 'duty of care' towards the people we work with, i.e. to do everything reasonable within our power to protect others from harm, which includes checking if someone has a criminal record, dependent on what is decided as appropriate following a risk assessment.

Enhanced CRB checks are sought for all relevant staff, management, directors and volunteers however this is alongside other references and information available regarding a person's suitability to work with vulnerable adults.