



# THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

## Code of Conduct for Safeguarding Children & Young Adults

The Little Sisters of the Poor's Apostolate is Care of Elderly. Our aim is to provide a safe environment where safeguarding children and young people is of paramount importance.

**We uphold positive safeguarding practices and provide to Staff, Volunteers and those who use our property:-**

- A copy of the **National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland**
- Staff and Volunteers are asked to read and sign that they have read and understood and will adhere to the NBSCCCI standards and procedures.
- We operate within the Church's principles and guidance and any specific procedures
- policy for visiting children
- Treat all children & young people who visit the Home with dignity & respect
- All staff and Volunteers must report any potentially abusive behaviour
- Immediately report incidents of alleged abuse and poor practice to the designated person (The Home's Manager) who will follow the correct procedures and document
- Maintain confidentiality about sensitive information
- Encourage an anti-discriminatory outlook
- Develop & maintain appropriate working relationships with all staff & volunteers
- Never participate in, behaviour which is illegal, unsafe or abusive

**Staff & Volunteers have the right to:**

- access to ongoing training (Safeguarding the elderly with the same principles for children)
- support in reporting suspected abuse

### Safeguarding Code of Conduct

- **I confirm that I have read and understood the Code of Conduct in Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland**
- **I agree to abide by and accept these standards as maintained in the Home of The Little Sisters of the Poor**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(printed)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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