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LADO Update

all-clear • n. a signal that danger or difficulty is over.
allegation • n. a claim that someone has done something illegal or wrong.
allege /uh-lej/ • v. (alleges, alleging, alleged) claim that someone has done something illegal or wrong.
– DERIVATIVES **alleged** adj. **allegedly** adv.
ORIGIN Old French *esliegier*.

Managing Allegations against a person who works volunteers with children and young people

The review of Working Together to Safeguard Children in 2020, included a change to the criteria for referral to the Designated Officer for the Local Authority (LADO).

The criteria for LADO consideration is that the individual in a position of trust has;

1. Behaved in a way that has harmed a child or may have harmed a child.
2. Possibly committed a criminal offence against or related to a child.
3. Behaved towards a child or children in a way that indicates he or she may pose a risk of harm to children; or
4. Behaved or may have behaved in a way that indicates they may not be suitable to work with children.

The Fourth criteria of suitability is a new addition and can be used in circumstances where a child has not been harmed or placed at harm but the risk may be transferrable, for example when the person in a position of trust has been involved in situations of

- Domestic abuse
- Offences against adults
- Substance misuse

All referrals must be made in writing using the **LADO Consultation Form**.

This can be found on the HCYPSP website;

<https://hcypsp.haltonsafeguarding.co.uk/procedures-guidance/>



To support understanding of the new criteria and to offer a refresher around the **Management of Allegations Procedure (LADO)**, there will be two training sessions held on;

Tuesday 19th October 2021 & Tuesday 15th March 2022

Booking enquiries should be emailed to Safeguarding.Training@halton.gov.uk