

# What does the **MASH** do?



The **Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH)** is a partnership between Devon children's social care, education and youth services, Devon National Health Services, Devon and Cornwall Police and the probation service working together to safeguard children and young people.

We can talk to you about your concerns for your own or other people's children.

If we think that your enquiry needs to be looked into we will:

- obtain **information** about the child from all the professionals working in the MASH
- do a **risk assessment** and work out if the child is likely to be at risk of harm
- decide what steps to take next, this could be an assessment, contacting services which may be able to support the child and their family, or nothing at all if we think the child is safe.

If you are worried about a child or young person and want to speak to someone contact the MASH on **0345 155 1071** or email **[mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk)** and give as much information as you can.

**Your call can be anonymous.**

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