

## **Cover Page for Oxfam GB re One Oxfam Child Safeguarding Policy**

**Overarching Accountability for Child Safeguarding within Oxfam: CEO and Chair of Trustees**

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### **At a Glance**

This policy is aimed at keeping children safe from harm perpetrated by Oxfam associates (staff, volunteers etc)

**Worried about a child in one of Oxfam GB's global programmes?**  
**or**  
**Concerned about the behaviour of an Oxfam associate, working in one of our global programmes, in relation to the safety of children?**

If you believe a child is at immediate risk of harm, contact the emergency Child Protection services available in the country you are in, if safe to do so. This may not be the police, in some places this may be a Child Protection NGO or INGO – your country Protection and Gender teams or Safeguarding Focal Points will be able to help you find this information.

Anyone can raise a concern or make a complaint about an associate of Oxfam without fear of retribution. You must report concerns of child abuse perpetrated by Oxfam associates. You can do this by telling a Safeguarding Focal Point in the country where you are, or the Oxfam GB Safeguarding Team. You can also report confidentially through Oxfam GB's Whistleblowing Service. Contact details are at the beginning of this document.

The Safeguarding Team will work with relevant Child Protection agencies where you are to try and address the concerns you have.

**Worried about a child in the UK?**  
**or**  
**Concerned about the behaviour of an Oxfam GB associate, working in the UK, in relation to the safety of children?**

If you believe a child is in immediate danger in the UK, call **999**

If it is not an emergency, you can report your concern by calling **101**

Anyone who has concerns about a child's welfare should make a referral to local authority children's social care and should do so immediately if there is a concern that the child is suffering significant harm or is likely to do so. Always follow up your concerns if you are not satisfied with the response. You can do this online here: <https://www.gov.uk/report-child-abuse-to-local-council>

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In line with the Children's Act 2004 and the government's Working Together statutory guidance, the Safeguarding Team will work with relevant Child Protection services in the UK to try and address the concerns you have and report concerns through the relevant Local Authority Designated Officer.

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