

Independent Child Trafficking Guardians

Independent Child Trafficking Guardians (ICTGs) are professionals who support children who have potentially been trafficked.

The role of an ICTG is outlined in s.48 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and within the following interim guidance: [Interim Guidance for ICTGs](#)

All local authorities within Wales, Greater Manchester, West Midlands Combined Authorities, East Midlands, Croydon, Hampshire and Isle of Wight have become Early Adopter Sites of Independent Child Trafficking Guardianship Service

THE ROLE OF THE ICTG Direct Support:

Independent Child Trafficking Guardians will provide one-on-one support to trafficked and potentially trafficked children within the Early Adopter Sites where there is no-one with parental responsibility for that child.

THE ROLE OF THE ICTG Regional Practice Coordinator (ICTG RPC):

The RPC will work with professionals to support them in recognising and responding to exploitation and trafficking for children with someone with parental responsibility for them. They will offer individual case consultation for professionals who are in direct contact with the child, focusing on safeguarding within the context of exploitation; and will support in referrals to the National Referral Mechanism.



CALL OUR 24/7 SUPPORT LINE

We will help you discuss and make a referral.

0800 043 4303

Or send a completed [ICTG referral form](#) to our secure mailbox (for cjsm compatible accounts only).

trafficking.referrals@bypmk.cjsm.net

All children identified as potentially trafficked in Early Adopter Sites must be referred into Barnardo's ICTG Service

An ICTG will be allocated and make contact with the child within 24 hours. Making a referral quickly after identification could support in reducing missing and re-trafficking.

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24/7 ICTG Support Line

Available 365 days a year, our support line for all ICTG Early Adopter Sites provides consultation, advice and guidance to professionals who have trafficking concerns for any young person who is a potential victim of trafficking, including guidance on immediate safety planning.