

Six Counties Kidney Patients Association

Safeguarding Policy

The SCKPA is aware of and takes responsibility for the Safeguarding of members, patients and their carers when at official meetings and social gatherings of the organisation. The charity follows the guidelines as set out by the Charity Commissioners and has a direct link to the National Kidney Federation who will assist the SCKPA in any issue that might arise.

In particular the charity will ensure that all committee members are aware of their responsibilities under the Safeguarding guidelines and these are summarised below:

- The SCKPA will provide a safe and trusted environment. Safeguarding involves a duty of care to everyone who comes into contact with the charity, not just children and young people.
- The SCKPA accepts its responsibility that Safeguarding should be a priority and is open to receiving reports of any incidents which will be followed up.
- Details of our Safeguarding policy and commitment are on our website and also published in our magazine VIVA!
- The SCKPA commits to reviewing its policies on a regular basis and will ensure that any changes are fully communicated to our membership.
- All incidents will be handled as they arise and investigated promptly. Details will be communicated to the Charity Commissioners and other authorities as necessary. Also, any lessons learned will be published and efforts made to ensure such incidents do not re-occur.

A trustee of the charity has already received Safeguarding training and the Six Counties Kidney Patients Association will ensure that trustees maintain a suitable knowledge of Safeguarding issues.

Richard Van Roon (chairman)

27-04-2019