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Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults

Congregation of the Daughters of the Cross of Liège  
English Province  
Serving in England, Ireland and California USA

The English Province of The Congregation of the Daughters of the Cross with members serving in England, Ireland and in California, USA, is fully committed to ensuring that children and vulnerable adults are supported in achieving their full potential in environments where they are protected from exploitation, abuse and any form of mistreatment.

They will work within the frameworks relating to the Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults as adopted and expressed by the National and Civil and the National Roman Catholic Church's Guidelines in each of these the three sectors of the Province.

The Sisters will at all times work in an open, transparent and accountable way with the relevant civil and church authorities in the Country in which they are currently or have served:

*Insert according to Country: England*

We adhere to the Guidelines and work within the framework of Catholic Safeguarding Advisory Service CSAS

National Safeguarding Procedures & Policy for England & Wales

[www.csasprocedures.uk.net](http://www.csasprocedures.uk.net)

We link to the Westminster Diocese and adhere to the One Church approach where we are Registered for a Regulated Activity, we work with relevant Professionals within the LA Guidelines.

The Sisters in each province sector will be expected to comply with the required recruitment and vetting procedure relating to any employment or volunteer position held. If the Sisters are in a position where they may share and/or receive confidential information relating to either a current or historical case, they will have due regard for its sensitive nature and are expected to maintain strict confidentiality within the guidelines.

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If ever the Sisters are involved in the initial stages of a disclosure of any form of abuse, they are expected to make it clear that they will need to share this information with the relevant authorities.

When dealing with a complaint of a historical nature, the current guidelines of each sector of the province will be followed.

The English Province of the Daughters of the Cross of Liège after seeking professional advice will offer relevant support to both the complainant and the accused.

The Sisters in active ministry will be expected to participate in both Province and other training packages on offer, to ensure they are up to date with changes relating to Safeguarding Issues.

*Sr. Veronika Hagen*      22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017

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