



## NHS Staff Support Helpline Safeguarding and Data Statement

### When you call Just 'B'

Your call with the Just 'B' Support Worker is confidential. However there are some limitations to this, below are more details of what this means.

### How we safeguard vulnerable children and adults

When we are worried about your safety or that you are being hurt either by your own actions or by someone else, we want to help you to find the best way to keep yourself safe.

We'll do this by listening and by talking to you about what you want to do. Most of the time whatever you tell us will stay between you and Just 'B'.

However, if we feel that you are unable to make decisions for yourself sometimes we might need to tell someone else what you've told us to be able to help you.

For example, this would apply to adults where we are concerned you are not able to make a decision about your own safety because you don't understand the risks. Such as, if you cannot remember the situation you are in, or if you lose consciousness whilst you are on the phone to us.

If you share information with us which identifies a child or vulnerable adult who is at risk of harm, after discussion with you, we may contact other relevant services.

It is important to know that you can decide what information you choose to share with us. Even if you have told us identifying information, it does not mean we will automatically tell someone else.

We would always want to help you to explore your feelings about your situation and to help you make the decisions that are right for you. We will ask you questions when talking to you to help you do this, and to make sure we understand what you are telling us.

**If we determine that we do need tell someone else these are of some of the things that might happen:**

- Your details may be passed to people who'll be able to get help to you, like the ambulance service.
- If you're in immediate danger of being hurt by someone else, we may ask the police to come and check, or do something to make sure that you're safe.
- If you've told us that a child is in danger, we may need to get them help. Sometimes the only way of doing that will be to contact you and ask you for more details. It may be the police that help us with this.
- We might ask Social Care to arrange to speak to you and see how they might be able to help you.

If you do not share your details with us, we are unable to contact you other than via the phone number you called us on.

We take your confidentiality very seriously and will only consider speaking to someone else if we are really worried about what you have told us and we feel that you are unable to make decisions.

It would be your phone number that we would use in a safeguarding emergency as described above. If you chose to call us from a withheld number, we would not be able to use this number, pass it on or call you back.

### Your data

By calling Just 'B', the only data we have will be your phone number, and we will only store this electronically for a short period of time. After this it will automatically be erased.

At the end of the call, your Support Worker is asked to log some details about you. None of these are identifiable.

The data includes, the nature of the call, what your area of work is and any signposting that the Support Worker does.

Collecting this information helps us to improve our services.