Child Sexual Exploitation

Early Years

Tina is the Team Leader in the toddlers’ room. She has been at the setting for several years. Today she comes in looking very tearful. You ask what is wrong and she tells you that she is worried about her daughter, Sophie.

Sophie is fourteen and attends the local high school. Tina tells you that Sophie has been talking to people online and last week Tina had looked at her phone when Sophie was in the shower; she had seen photographs that Sophie had sent to someone called “Tom”, which Tina describes as “pornographic”. Tina tells you that there were also photos of Tom on there. Tom’s face couldn’t be seen but Tina says, his “bits and pieces” could be seen. Tom had sent messages to Sophie talking about what they had got up to.

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- What would you do immediately?
- Would you record the incident, and if so where?
- What actions would you take in the longer term?
- If you felt that you needed to take further advice who would you speak to?
- Consider whether your responses and support would be different if the child was male?

You can support Tina in getting help for Sophie/reporting the incident.

If Tina does not report it then you cannot un-know what you have been told and you will need to take action.

You need to be aware of Cheshire East’s CSE protocol and screening tool; you could complete the tool with Tina: Child Sexual Exploitation

Ensure that Tina is aware of the “Know and See” website: Know and See the Signs!

Make Tina aware of the Sexual Abuse Referral Centre (SARC): Cheshire Sexual Assault Referral Centre
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Secondary School

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