FLOW CHART FOR AGENCIES REPORTING CONCERNS OF AN ADULT AT RISK OF ABUSE

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Abuse discovered or suspected

An alert regarding all suspected incidents must be made immediately and within 24 hours of discovery

Is adult at risk in immediate danger?

And/or has a crime been committed?

And/or is there a need to protect forensic evidence?

Do you need to take further urgent steps to safeguard the individual?

YES → Contact emergency services e.g. Police, ambulance

NO

Consult with manager whether adult protection alert appropriate or consult safeguarding adults coordinator

Adult protection alert confirmed or suspected?

→ No further action under these guidelines.

Consider other options.

Record accurately the details of the incident and the outcome of discussion with a manager.

YES

Make an alert for investigation under the safeguarding adults policy to an adult social care team