

Hospitaller Order of Saint John of God Safeguarding Commitment



The Hospitaller Order of Saint John Of God is committed to safeguarding. Experiencing hurt as a child or vulnerable adult adversely impacts on many aspects of a person's life and wellbeing.

If you or someone you know has experienced hurt, please let someone know and access support. We are committed to supporting those who come forward to access therapeutic supports and justice.

If you have a safeguarding concern or allegation, our Designated Liaison Person (DLP), Dr Maria Corrigan can be contacted on Ph: 003531-5333311 or email: <u>provincialdlp@sjog.ie</u>

Our Safeguarding Representative in the United Kingdom (UK) is Br Robert Moore, Ph: 00447961276901, email: <u>robertmoore@sjog.org.uk</u>

Our Safeguarding Representative in Malawi is Br Samuel Mithi, Ph: 00265 991 275 468 email: <u>mithi.samuel@yahoo.com</u>

The Hospitaller Order of Saint John Of God report safeguarding concerns and allegations to the authorities (An Garda Siochána/Police and Tusla / Social Services). We co-operate with the authorities in their work following up safeguarding concerns and allegations.

Important: If you are concerned about the safety and welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the Police/Gardai, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in imminent danger.

Republic of Ireland Agencies Contact Details:

Towards Healing is an independent organisation that provides therapeutic services to people who have experienced hurt by religious or in religious run services in Ireland. These services are confidential and free of charge. Towards Healing can be contacted on

- Freephone 1800 303416 (Rep of Ireland)
- Hearing impaired Text Line Number: 0894556422
- Email us at info@towardshealing.ie

If you would like to contact the authorities in Ireland about a safeguarding concern or allegations, their contact details are:

- An Garda Siochána: Email: <u>GNPSB_SCMU@garda.ie</u> or Ph: 1800 555222 or any local Garda Station.
- Tusla: Child & Family Agency, Unit 9 Nutgrove Retail Park, Churchtown, Dublin 14. Ph: 01 9213400 or any local Tusla office. www.tusla.ie

United Kingdom (UK) Agencies Contact Details:

Safe Spaces is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal, and safe space for anyone who has been abused by someone in the Church or as a result of their relationship with the Church of England, the Catholic Church in England and Wales or the Church in Wales. UK Helpline 03003031056.

If you would like to contact the authorities in the UK about a safeguarding concern or allegations, their contact details are:

- **Religious Life Safeguarding Services (RLSS):** Contact the safeguarding team on 0044151 5562311 or via e mail <u>safeguarding@religioussafeguarding.org</u>.
- UK Police
 - Emergency Ph: 999, f you have a hearing or speech impairment, use their textphone service on 18000.
 - Non-Emergency Ph: 101, f you have a hearing or speech impairment, use our textphone service on <u>18001 101</u>.
 - For contact details of your local police services see www.police.uk

Other Therapeutic Supports:

The Order is committed to supporting individuals who have experienced hurt to access therapeutic services. If Towards Healing/Safe Spaces are not options for you or you are based in Malawi and you are seeking support, please contact our Designated Liaison Person (DLP), Dr Maria Corrigan on Ph: 003531-5333311 or email: provincialdlp@sjog.ie and we will endeavour to assist.