

# Information for Taxi and Private Hire Drivers

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) is sexual abuse that can affect any child or young person, anytime, anywhere and from any background.

It involves perpetrators grooming youngsters and using their power to sexually abuse them. It could be a seemingly 'consensual' relationship with an older person, or a young person manipulated into having sex in exchange for material goods, reward or affection.

Does your customer appear to be:

- *Under 18 years old?*
- *With an older person/s and appear to be in a relationship with one of them?*
- *Under the influence of alcohol or drugs?*
- *Using your service regularly to visit multiple locations or the same location?*
- *Uncomfortable, agitated or stressed?*
- *Going to a hotel, house party or secluded location?*
- *Picked up or dropped off at school or college during the day?*

• If you have answered **yes** to any of the above please turn over...





## ASK

and

## ACT

Ask yourself the following questions:

- *What have I seen?*
- *What have I heard?*
- *What do I feel is unusual or different?*
- *What has actually happened?*
- *What is my concern?*
- *What is this telling me?*
- *What should I do now?*

### **Doing nothing is not an option!**

- *Protecting children and young people and Keeping them safe is everyone's job!*
- *Keep your focus on the child or young person - Their safety is paramount!*
- *Do not assume someone else will do something!*
- *Do not delay unnecessarily - act quickly!*
- *Look, listen and record your concern!*

Every day people pick up the phone and tell us about children and adults who may be at risk of harm in their communities, because of this we can work together to support and protect them.

**If you have a concern please tell us by calling the child protection duty team on 01546 605517 or Police on 999 if the person you are worried about is in immediate danger.**