

## **OPERATION ENCOMPASS**

### **STATEMENT TO PARENTS/CARERS**

Cambridge Regional College takes part in a jointly run operation between Cambridgeshire County Council, Peterborough City Council, Cambridgeshire Constabulary and our College, which is called Operation Encompass.

Encompass has been set up to help schools and colleges to provide support to children and young people who have been present at incidents of domestic abuse and violence. We know that children can be significantly physically or emotionally harmed when they are involved in, present at, or are a witness to domestic abuse.

If a young person studying at CRC has been involved in, present at or witness to domestic abuse, the College Safeguarding Team will receive a confidential, secure email from Cambridgeshire's Education Safeguarding Team, now working across both Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, before 9am or as soon as possible on the morning after any domestic incident which Cambridgeshire Police have attended.

The College Safeguarding Team has received training from the Education Safeguarding Team to allow them to use the information that has been shared, to ensure that the right support is available for young people and their families who have been involved in or have witnessed such incidents.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to our students and we believe this is extremely beneficial for all those involved.

If you have any concerns or questions, then please contact the team via email: [safeguarding@camre.ac.uk](mailto:safeguarding@camre.ac.uk) or call 01223 418200 and ask to speak to safeguarding and we will be happy to discuss this further.

Further information about the project is available on request.

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