The 6 Principles of Safeguarding

The government issued six principles of safeguarding, which are the important elements of any good safeguarding policy in any organisation, business or community.

Below are the six principles and what they mean.

Empowerment

Give individuals as much freedom and power over decisions made about themselves as is reasonably possible.

Prevention

Preventing neglect, harm and abuse is the core function of safeguarding, which makes prevention, of course, the most important element of safeguarding.

Protection

The core act of giving vulnerable people care and support when they need it, and protect them from physical to psychological abuse.

Proportionality

It's important that every case is dealt with individually and with all the facts taken into account, without excessive intrusion.

Partnerships

Safeguarding is simply more effective where partnerships are created and incorporated into practice.

Accountability

Anyone relevant should be accountable for the role they play in safeguarding, and responsibility should not be shirked.

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