

External organisations and resources on online safety

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At Praesidio we are often commissioned to help solve new and evolving issues and challenges in online safety.

For many issues affecting children online, there is wealth of good practice already developed and established in the online safety space. Here we share some of the best resources and sources of advice available for parents, carers, and professionals.

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① External organisations and resources on online safety

Internet Matters - Online safety advice for parents, carers and professionals on a wide range of online safety issues

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

NSPCC Online safety information for parents, carers, and professionals

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety>

CEOP - resources to keep children safe from sexual abuse and grooming for parents and professionals as well as resources targeted directly at children

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/>

Childnet - leading UK charity providing resources and information for children, parents/ carers and schools.

<https://www.childnet.com/>

South West Grid for Learning - leading online safety charity with a free helpline for professionals.

<https://swgfl.org.uk/helplines/professionals-online-safety-helpline/>

Parentzone - an organisation offering support to parents on all aspects of digital family life <https://parentzone.org.uk/>

② Reporting and getting help in the UK

If you want to report someone in the UK who is behaving suspiciously online towards a child, you should contact the emergency services by calling 999.

Alternatively, make a report to CEOP, the Child Exploitation Online Protection Centre
www.ceop.gov.uk

Child sexual abuse images should be reported to the Internet Watch Foundation.
www.iwf.org.uk/report

Fearless is a national website to access non-judgemental information and advice about crime and criminality
www.fearless.org_

Childline - Tel: 0800 1111 National free and confidential advice and support for all young people up to 19 years old www.childline.org.uk

3 International organisations and resources

Connect Safely Connect Safely is a US based non-profit organization dedicated to educating users of connected technology about safety, privacy, and security

<https://www.connectsafely.org/>

Family Online safety Institute FOSI is a US based organisation that brings together and highlights the best safety messages, tools and methods to reach parents, children and caregivers. FOSI provides guidance on how to take a balanced approach to online safety.

<https://www.fosi.org/>

Safer Internet South Africa - A resource providing practical advice on a range of digital safety issues

<https://saferinternetsouthafrica.co.za/>

Common Sense Media A non-profit organization dedicated to helping children thrive online that provides reviews and information on apps and games and other types of media.

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/>

Better Internet for Kids (BIK) Better Internet for Kids is a service platform that aims to create a better internet for children and young people within the European Union. This platform has resources that can be used to educate children, parents and staff on safe use of internet.

<https://www.betterinternetforkids.eu/>

Safe Space is an online cyber safety platform offering practical and visual resources for young people on a range of digital safety issues relating to Qatar and the Arab world.

<https://www.safespace.qa/en>

ECPAT's mandate is to end the sexual exploitation of children. ECPAT's website has various resources on online child sexual abuse and exploitation that may help training and awareness raising.

<https://www.ecpat.org>

National Centre for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC) The USA-based charity and reporting centre for all issues related to the prevention of and recovery from child victimization. The NCMEC assists in cases of missing or exploited children throughout the world.

<https://www.missingkids.org/home>

International Centre for Missing & Exploited Children (ICMEC) The ICMEC website provides a list of international operational centres that work to assist in cases of missing or exploited children, as well as resources.

<https://www.icmec.org>