

### **Child Protection**

Where there is a Child Protection concern, Children First guidance must be followed, and Tusla's usual referral pathways utilised. To discuss or report a concern, Duty Social Work can be contacted as follows:

- **Duty Phone Monday to Friday Office Hours: (064) 6636030;**
- <https://www.tusla.ie/get-in-touch/duty-social-work-teams/>

**Any concern in relation to children out of hours should be reported to: An Garda Síochána Tel: 112 or 999**

### **Kerry PPFS (Prevention Partnership and Family Support)**

Individuals and families who require targeted support will be directed through existing pathways to the relevant services. PPFS Kerry can be contacted at: **066-7184501**

In collaboration with Tusla-funded partner agencies, Community Support Contact Centres have been identified in Kerry. A standard framework for the Community Support Contact Centres has been developed asking each identified Contact Centre to:

- Provide a local point of contact in the locality for families requiring information and support - in some areas this service may be provided remotely.
- Signpost - Provision of standard information and advice in a variety of formats and languages as devised by state services as well as localised information particular to community context.
- Provide family support or referral to relevant providers, where required.
- Work in partnership in the context of the local authority's co-ordinated response and share and disseminate good practice and information.
- Provide a group space for strength-based support/or provide service outreach in conjunction with other local partners.
- Participate in opportunities provided to develop cultural understanding of displaced populations.
- Ensure Tusla response pathways are understood and utilised appropriately to report Child Protection or Welfare concerns.

In Kerry these Community Contact Centres are:

- Tralee International Resource Centre (TIRC): 066 7127918 / 087 9822983 or [info@tirc.ie](mailto:info@tirc.ie)
- Killarney Asylum Seekers Initiative (KASI): 064 6620705 or [info@kasi2000.com](mailto:info@kasi2000.com)
- Ballyspillane Community & Family Resource Centre, Killarney: 064 6635589 or [ballyspillanecfrc@gmail.com](mailto:ballyspillanecfrc@gmail.com)
- Listowel Family Resource Centre, Listowel: 068 23584 or [listowelfrc@gmail.com](mailto:listowelfrc@gmail.com)
- South West Kerry Family Resource Centre, Cahersiveen: 066 9481000 or [swkerryfrc20@gmail.com](mailto:swkerryfrc20@gmail.com)
- Kenmare Family Resource Centre, Kenmare: 064 6642790 or 087 7086641 or [info@kenmarefrc.ie](mailto:info@kenmarefrc.ie)
- Killorglin Family Resource Centre, Killorglin: 066 9762933 or [killorglinfamilycentre@gmail.com](mailto:killorglinfamilycentre@gmail.com)
- KDYS: Tralee, Killarney & Listowel: 087 0576213 or [youthinfo@kdys.ie](mailto:youthinfo@kdys.ie)
- Buds Family Resource Centre, Ballyduff: 066 7148883 or [budsfrc2016@gmail.com](mailto:budsfrc2016@gmail.com)
- Duagh Family Resource Centre, Duagh: 068 45333 or [duaghfamilycentre@gmail.com](mailto:duaghfamilycentre@gmail.com)

**Tusla Education Support Service** will provide support to families with children of school going age to put in place appropriate education provision. TESS can be contacted here: <https://www.tusla.ie/tess/get-in-touch/#EWO>.

**Kerry Children and Young People's Services Committee (CYPSC)** is a county level committee bringing together the main statutory, community and voluntary providers of services to children and young people. CYPSC provides a forum for joint planning and co-ordination of activity to ensure that children, young people and their families receive improved and accessible services. Contact Claire O'Toole, CYPSC Coordinator at [claire.otoole@tusla.ie](mailto:claire.otoole@tusla.ie) or see [www.kerrychildrenservices.com](http://www.kerrychildrenservices.com) or [www.cypsc.ie](http://www.cypsc.ie) for further information.