



FACT SHEET 16

REPORTING PROCEDURES

Guidelines For Reporting Accidents

In the event of an accident, the following procedure will be carried out:-

- Fill in 2 copies of the Accident Form (see appendix 9) for ALL accidents
- Make contact with parents/ guardians
- One copy of form to incident book/ folder
- Forward 1 copy to Children's officer for record keeping/ action required
- Contact emergency services/ GP if required
- Record in detail all facts surrounding the accident, witnesses etc.

Guidelines For Reporting Allegations/ Incidents

- Record all incidents reported or observed on an Incident Form (see appendix 10)
- 1 copy to Children's officer
- Ensure confidentiality - only "need to know basis" (reference confidentiality clause)

The designated person will be responsible for storing any report in a safe and secure environment.

Guidelines For Responding To A Child Reporting An Incident

DOs

- Stay calm
- Listen & hear. Give the person time to say what they want
- Reassure them that they have done the right thing in telling and that it will be dealt with appropriately
- Record in writing what was said as soon as possible
- Report to someone else in the organisation - "the designated person."
- Record your report.

DON'Ts

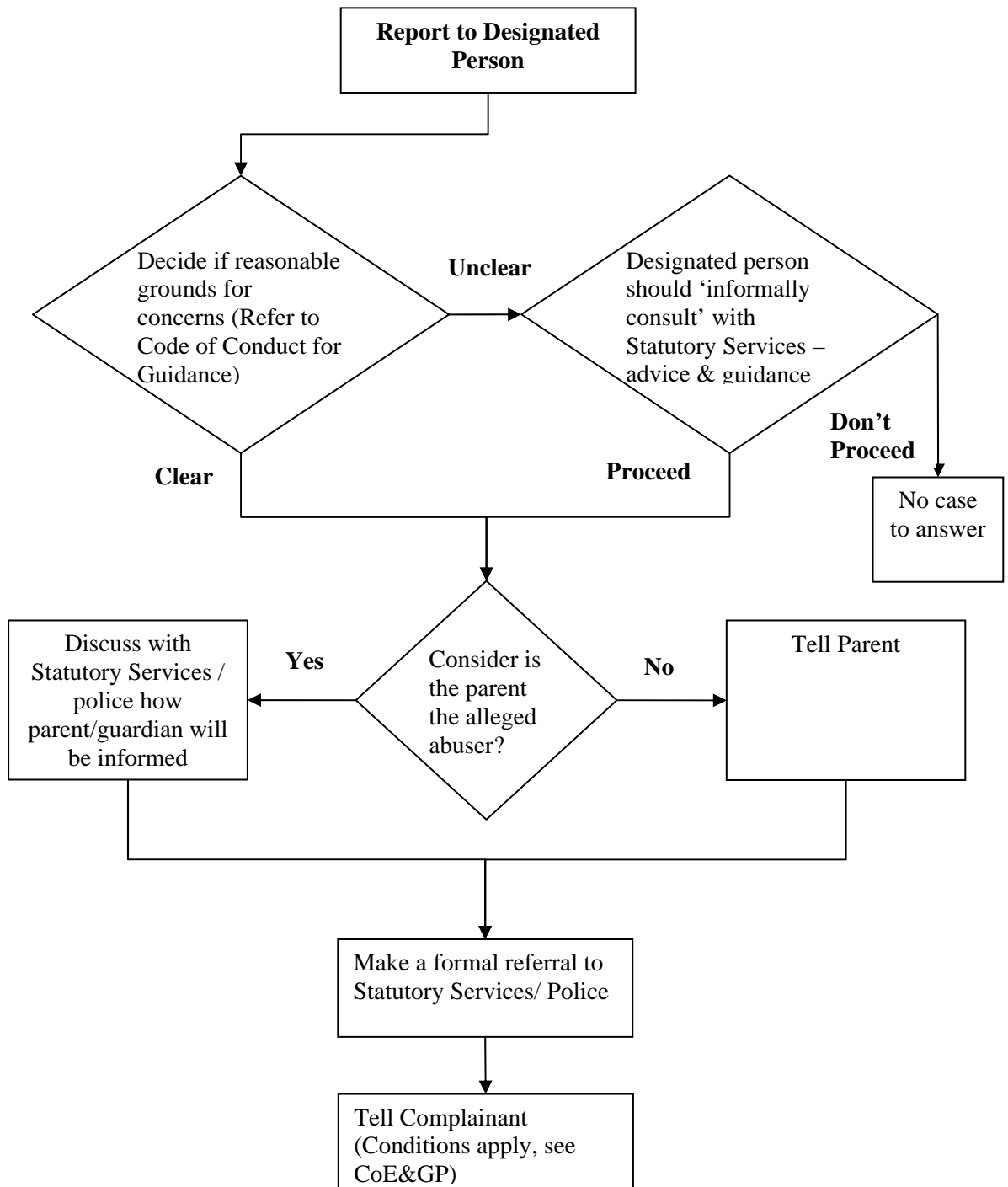
- Panic
- Promise to keep secrets
- Enquire into the details of the abuse
- Make a child repeat the story unnecessarily.

For more details see **Fact Sheet 27**

Confidentiality – Who needs to know what see Fact sheet 11

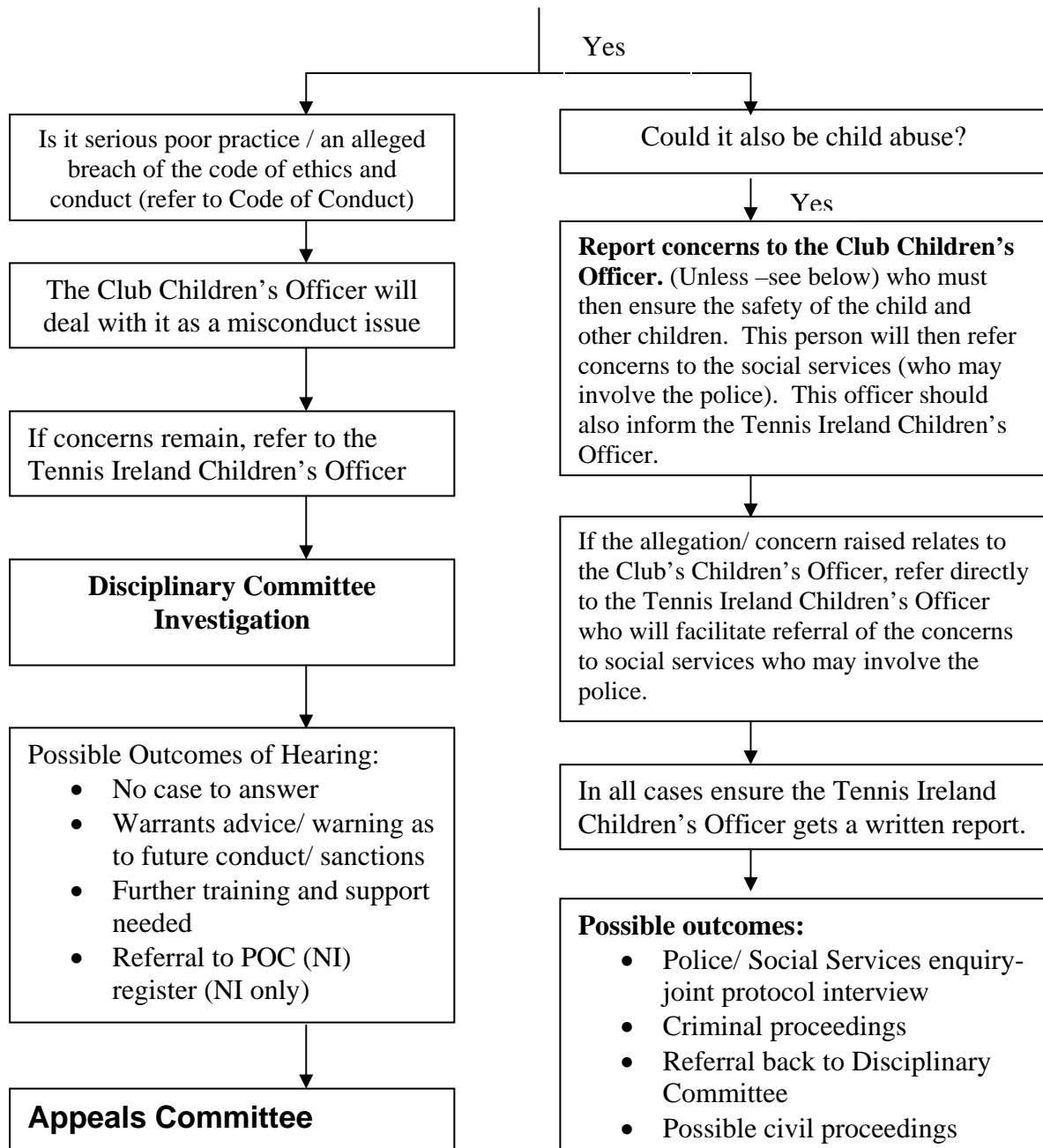
Reporting Procedures About Possible Abuse Outside The Organisation

When the complaint is about possible abuse outside the organisation



Reporting Procedures About Behaviour Of A Club Member/ Coach

Are you concerned about the behaviour of a member of your club?



If you do not know who to turn to for advice or are worried about sharing your concerns with a senior colleague, you should contact the Statutory Services direct (or the NSPCC/ISPCC or Childline.) At any stage during the process in the left hand column the issue can be referred externally either formally or informally for advice. Following the external (right column) outcome the matter may be referred back to the club's Disciplinary Committee.