

The Emotional Safety Checklist for Schools

- ✓ Does the school have a strong policy statement against child abuse and exploitation?
- ✓ Has the staff being trained to be alert to signs of abuse?
- ✓ Is there a procedure for checking on staff before they are allowed to work with the children?
- ✓ Is there a child protection policy which includes procedures to be followed a teacher or another member of staff is accused of harming a child?
- ✓ Does the school provide an going training and development for staff to address their responsibilities to protect children from abuse?
- ✓ Is there a regular counselor on school roll?
- ✓ Does the school inform and consult parents and encourage the participation of families in child protection issues?
- ✓ Is there a rehabilitation program to restore the self –esteem of abused children?
- ✓ Are the children being taught the ‘kinds of touches’?
- ✓ Is the child being helped to understand his right over his own body especially, the right to say ‘No’?
- ✓ Do the children enjoy an enabling environment and are they encouraged to share their personal confidence with the teachers?
- ✓ Does the school provide workshops by medical experts and counselors on adolescence related issues?
- ✓ Does the school provide a sensitive platform for building self – esteem and communication skills among children?