

# Scottish Overseas Guardianship Association

## Safe Care Plan for Host.

As a host family, you are expected to protect the students while they are in your care. You need to carefully consider how you can promote safeguarding yourself, your family and your students.

The wellbeing and safeguarding of the children and young people is central to the association's ethos and underpins all that we do. Therefore, it is important for host families to be aware of the policies and procedures adopted by S.O.G.A, and to follow the following advice:

- Avoid secrecy while promoting confidentiality.
- Treat students with dignity, respect rights and privacy.
- Avoid being misinterpreted, think how behaviour and communication can be perceived. •

Share any concerns and worries with the S.O.G.A team.

Have due consideration to:

- Being respectful when you enter the student's bedroom (think about knocking and allowing privacy).
- Appropriate clothing (all members of the household need to think of this - i.e. no moving around the house in only underwear).
- Appropriate behavior (think how different behavior can be perceived).
- Demonstration of affection, towards both the student and within the family (think about how this can be perceived).
- Visitors to the house and their conduct towards the students.
- Areas which are out of bounds (e.g. parent's bedrooms, private bathrooms, office etc).
- If Smoking and Drinking with Family friends, store alcohol safely and securely. Think about the impact drinking and smoking can have on students.
- Use of the internet, telephones and mobiles (see internet policies).
- Bedtime routines and respect for privacy.
- Use the policies available, on [www.scottishoverseasguardianship.co.uk](http://www.scottishoverseasguardianship.co.uk)
- Any query never hesitate to ask. Contact Mrs Pam Keracher 07762791805.