

## NSPCC harmful sexual behaviour resources for health professionals

These films have been created as part of a wider toolkit of resources that will help health professionals improve their response to children and young people who display harmful sexual behaviours.

You can access these resources for free on the NSPCC Learning website: [nspcc.org.uk/hsbhealth](https://nspcc.org.uk/hsbhealth).

### 1. The important role of health professionals in addressing harmful sexual behaviour

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rzc8SFHgVIE>

**Description:** In this film, Kevin, an advanced nurse practitioner for safeguarding children, explains why it's important that healthcare professionals are equipped with the knowledge that helps them to recognise, record and respond appropriately to children and young people's harmful sexual behaviours.

### 2. The role of health in recognising harmful sexual behaviour

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TsaXoGqwZil>

**Description:** Sometimes it can be hard to know whether the sexual behaviours a young person is displaying are appropriate and what you should do to address their risks and needs and keep them safe. Lisa, an NHS specialist nurse for safeguarding children in St Helens, shares examples of when health professionals might encounter children and young people's harmful sexual behaviour, and explains why it's important they know how to respond.

### 3. Responding effectively to harmful sexual behaviour disclosures and referrals

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wn0oczHknME>

**Description:** Catherine Hadland is a multi-agency safeguarding hub specialist nurse. In this film she shares her advice for dealing with disclosures of harmful sexual behaviour from children and young people and explains what health professionals should consider when making a referral.

### 4. Using the NSPCC harmful sexual behaviour framework in St Helens

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pwsYZJWGwX4>

**Description:** The NSPCC harmful sexual behaviour framework is an evidence-informed tool that helps local areas to develop coordinated, multi-agency local responses to children and young people's harmful sexual behaviour (HSB). In this film, Lorna tells us about her experiences of using the framework and supporting a multi-agency audit in St Helens to assess their approach to dealing with HSB.



5. **The impact and value of health using the NSPCC Harmful sexual behaviour framework**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3kBOS2IXI>

**Description:** Professor Sarah O'Brien talks about using the NSPCC Harmful sexual behaviour framework in St Helens and the positive outcomes they are already seeing. The NSPCC Harmful sexual behaviour framework is an evidence-informed tool that helps local areas to develop coordinated, multi-agency local responses to children and young people's harmful sexual behaviour.