

1.1.3 - 1.1.5 Referrals to the NST

Where the NST takes the lead coordinating role regarding the management of a case, the NST caseworker(s) involved will work closely with the relevant safeguarding officers. Where the NST assesses that the case does not meet its criteria, an explanation should be provided to the relevant church bodies in writing. Where the diocese believes that the NST should be taking the case, a final decision will be made by the National Director of Safeguarding. Even if the NST does not take the lead coordinating role in the management of a case, it can provide support to a church body that is managing a complex case.

In cases in which the NST takes the lead coordinating role, requirements relating to safeguarding officers should be read to mean the NST caseworker. However, some actions may still need to be undertaken by the safeguarding officers in the relevant dioceses or church bodies, and where this is the case, this will be discussed with them. Joint working arrangements will be decided on a case-by-case basis and confirmed in writing.

Where relevant, specific considerations for cases managed by the NST (for example the membership of SCMGs) are included throughout this code.

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