

Safeguarding Protected Adults

A protected adult is defined as a person aged 16 or over who receives one or more type of care/welfare service either regularly or for a short period of time. More details on the definition of a protected adult can be found in Section 94 of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups Act (Scotland) 1997 <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2007/14/section/94>

From a legislative perspective, the threshold of regulated work needs to be met in order to require any individual working with protected adults to be a member of the PVG scheme. For community drama this means that the activity is **aimed primarily or exclusively** at protected adults.

SCDA does not usually run activity exclusively aimed at protected adults but if an occasion arose where we did offer this, we would ensure that all relevant legislative criteria were met and that staff and volunteers were appropriately trained.

We encourage any individual who has additional support needs to contact us in advance of any SCDA run activity. We will do our best to make reasonable adjustments if given prior notice and will at all times endeavour to be clear where we are unable to meet these requests.

SCDA has a safeguarding policy which is aimed at everyone, including protected adults.

We welcome feedback from all of our volunteers and collaborators so that we can keep learning. Please get in touch with us if you would like to contribute to this aim hq@drama.scot