

Safeguarding message – Childline launches new app

Childline has launched an app that is the first to provide counselling to young people in need of help directly through their mobile devices. The app has been named 'For Me' to ensure that it can be discreetly installed. This means that if someone happens to see the young person's phone they can't tell it's a Childline service.

'For Me' was created by 4 teenagers who realised there was an urgent need for young people to have easy access to confidential advice and support. When Childline first launched over 30 years ago all contact was over the phone, with many calls being made from telephone boxes. Now children and young people contact them online via email and 1-2-1 chat.

More details can be found on the NSPCC website:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-we-do/news-opinion/childline-launches-new-app/>

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