

## Online Safety

Staff must be aware that young people must be safeguarded from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material. An effective approach to online safety focuses on empowering young people and staff to protect and educate them in their use of technology and establishes mechanisms to identify, intervene and escalate concerns where appropriate.

There is a breadth of issues within online safety which are ever evolving, but can be categorised into four areas of risk:

**Content:** being exposed to illegal, inappropriate or harmful content, for example, pornography, racism, misogyny, self-harm, suicide, anti-Semitism, radicalization, extremism, misinformation, disinformation (including fake news) and conspiracy theories.

**Contact:** being subjected to harmful online interaction with other users; for example: peer to peer pressure, commercial advertising and adults posing as children or young adults with the intention to groom or exploit them for sexual, criminal, financial or other purposes.

**Conduct:** online behaviour that increases the likelihood of, or causes, harm; for example, making, sending and receiving explicit images (e.g. consensual and non-consensual sharing of nudes and semi-nudes and/or pornography, sharing other explicit images and online bullying, and

**Commerce:** risks such as online gambling, inappropriate advertising phishing and or financial scams. If you feel students or staff are at risk, please report it to the Anti-Phishing Working Group ([APWG | Unifying The Global Response To Cybercrime](#))

### **Remote education**

The following guidance assists in how CILEX Law School can help to keep young adults and staff safe whilst learning remotely: [Safeguarding and remote education - GOV.UK](#).

As a remote organization, CILEX Law School does not have students accessing the organisation's IT system, however staff and students must be aware of safety online. CILEX Law School has a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of young adults and provide them with a safe environment in which to learn. As part of this, CILEX Law School will provide information to young adults and train staff to ensure there is an understanding of filtering and monitoring systems.