

## Digital Safeguarding – what does this mean?



protecting people's health, wellbeing and <u>human rights</u> – enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect

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## **Extent of use?**



It's everywhere

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## **Consent?**





- Informed consent in digital and Al-assisted assessments can be unclear
- Ethical and legal questions, especially for those lacking capacity
- Calls for potential new rights: e.g., right to human-made decisions or opt-outs from Al judgments
- Can organisations policies keep up?

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## What does this mean?



- Digital and AI can replicate and automate biases (racism, sexism, ableism).
- Al eliminates critical reflection when writing notes?
- Over-representation of marginalized groups in safeguarding cases is one example
- Who regulates tech solutions in social care?
- Upholding human rights to counter these harms is vital

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