

# CAS (JIRT) Referral Criteria

## Sexual Abuse

- › Disclosure and/or evidence of sexual assault
- › Any reports of sexual abuse of a child under the age of 16 years where the alleged offender is over the age of criminal responsibility, i.e. 10 years
- › Presentation of physical indicators consistent with sexual abuse, e.g. venereal diseases, pregnancy, unexplained bruising on or bleeding from genitals, presence of semen on child, unexplained bruises to breasts; and
- › The CSC will assess reports of sexualised behaviour and allegations where offenders are 10 years and under.

## Neglect

- › Extreme neglect resulting in physical harm e.g. burns from nappy rash; and
- › Malnutrition and/ or dehydration from withholding of food and fluids.

## A.P.S (Adolescent Peer Sexual) Investigation

On the 8 August, 2014, the Commissioners Executive Team endorsed the Command hand-over of Adolescent Peer Sexual (APS) investigations from State Crime Command to the Local Area Command, if particular criteria exist. Once assessed, the APS investigation will be disseminated to the Local Area Command (LAC) for investigation. Contained below are resources to assist the LAC. These documents should be read in conjunction with current legislation, policy and procedure. As contained within the guidelines the Child Abuse Squad (CAS), State Crime Command, can be contacted to assist during business hours on 88358163; or by contacting the DOI after hours and asking for the on call CAS officer.