

Self Neglect of an 'Adult at Risk'

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Examples where other actions are required.
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An adult is found to be physically self-harming.

POSSIBLE
ACTION

Follow guidelines set out by nice.org.uk

An adult who does NOT have care and support needs related to a mental or physical impairment or illness is self-neglecting

POSSIBLE
ACTION

Signpost to other support such as vulnerable person's panel, voluntary sector agencies or hoarding panel.
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The nature of the adult with care and support needs' self neglect causes a fire risk to them and others for example, they have piles of newspapers and flammable materials which they are deemed to be 'hoarding'.

An adult with care and support needs is self-neglecting because you believe that they do not have the capacity to decide not to.

The nature of the adult with care and support needs' self neglect causes an environmental health risk to them and others for example, the mess that is created attracts vermin such as rats

Remember: All examples, whether a safeguarding referral is required or not, require some action.