# SAFEGUARDING @ CNS for Parents/ Carers

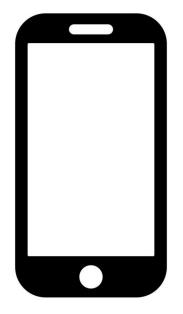


## COUNTY LINES

County lines are illegal drug dealing networks between large urban centres, small towns and rual location. Children and young people are coerced, using intimidation, blackmail and violence, to transport and sell drugs, cash and weapons aross the country via dedicated mobile phone lines which may be referred to as "deal lines". There is clear evidence that County Lines are an emerging issue across the UK. Alter Ego have agreed to perform evening performances across the Luton, Bedford and Central Bedfordshire. To find out more about what is County Lines and how it affects families and young people, please click on the link below:

#### What is County Lines?

To obtain more information on upcoming County Lines event please click on the flyer below: <u>County Lines Event</u>



# Does your child use more than one phone?

Police in Bedfordshire have asked us to remind parents and carers of the need to monitor and discuss how young people use their phones. If you notice your child has more than one phone please discuss this with them. Consider asking 'what would be the need to have more than one number and phone?' Suggested websites to help parents and carers are:

## Family Time

### <u>Childnet</u>