TUESDAY'S TOP TIP

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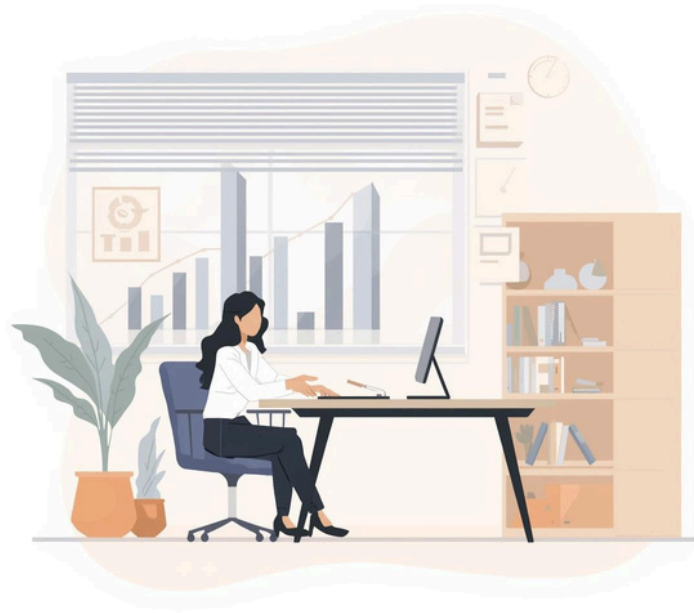

Safeguarding Checks in Supplier Onboarding

Why?

Due Diligence & Compliance

- Ensure suppliers meet safeguarding and regulatory requirements
- Verify credentials, insurance, and legitimacy

Risk & Reputation Management

- Prevent engagement with unsuitable or high-risk suppliers
- Protect pupils, staff, and the organisation

Useful Resources

- Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE)
- DfE safeguarding guidance
- Crown Commercial Service due diligence guidance
- ISBL procurement and safeguarding advice

Benefit

Undertaking safeguarding checks during supplier onboarding reduces the risk of engaging providers who may pose a risk to pupils, staff, or the organisation. It ensures that appropriate due diligence is carried out and that suppliers meet expected standards before work begins.

This approach strengthens compliance, protects the Trust's reputation, and demonstrates a proactive commitment to safeguarding. It also supports audit assurance by providing clear evidence that supplier selection processes are robust and appropriately controlled.

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