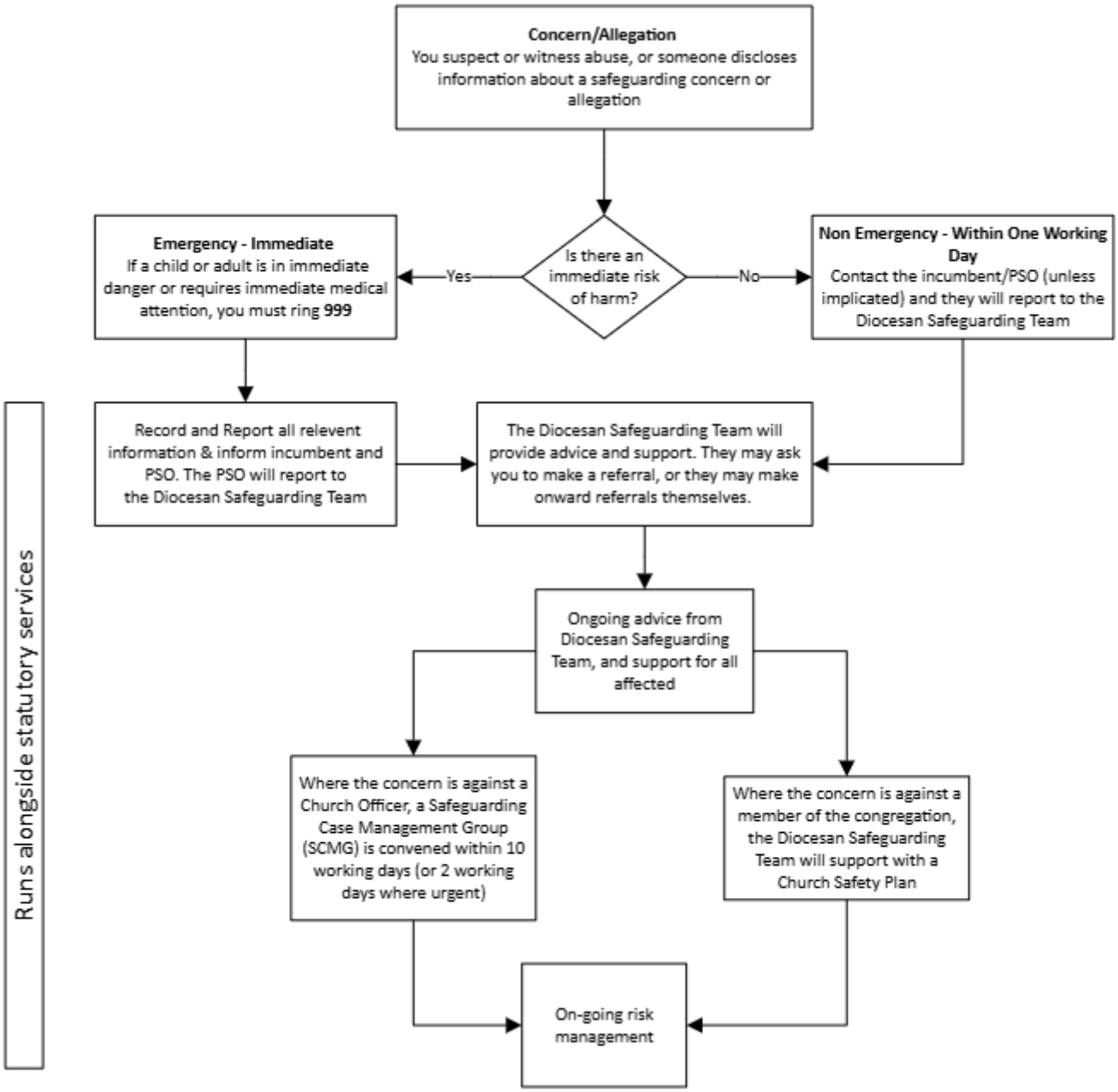
Concern/Allegation
You suspect or witness abuse, or someone discloses information about a safeguarding concern or allegation
Is there an immediate risk of harm?
Yes
No
Emergency - Immediate
If a child or adult is in immediate danger or requires immediate medical attention, you must ring 999
Non Emergency - Within One Working Day
Contact the incumbent/PSO (unless implicated) and they will report to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team
Record and Report all relevent information & inform incumbent and PSO. The PSO will report to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team
The Diocesan Safeguarding Team will provide advice and support. They may ask you to make a referral, or they may make onward referrals themselves.
Ongoing advice from Diocesan Safeguarding Team, and support for all affected
Where the concern is against a Church Officer, a Safeguarding Case Management Group (SCMG) is convened within 10 working days (or 2 working days where urgent)
Where the concern is against a member of the congregation, the Diocesan Safeguarding Team will support with a Church Safety Plan
On-going risk management
Runs alongside statutory services