



South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter 11

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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Eleventh Edition

This Eleventh edition of the newsletter is a combined newsletter for both the South Gloucestershire Children's Partnership and the Safeguarding Adults Board.

This newsletter replaced the fortnightly board manager bulletin when lockdown began, and we have decided to retain this format of newsletter going forward although the focus on Covid-19 will become less as we begin to move forward towards the new normal.

South Gloucestershire latest information about the support that is available during the Covid period is published online [here](#)

SGSAB joint Annual Conference with the Keeping Bristol Safe Partnership is moving online...you can now book a place at any or all of the events – more information [here](#)

Keeping Children Safe in Education

This statutory guidance for schools was updated on 1st September. Updated version is now available [here](#)

Human Trafficking and Pregnancy

Poster available [here](#)



Annual Report Publication

The Annual Report for the Safeguarding Adults Board has been published on the Safeguarding Board website.

This annual report covers the year April 2019-March 2020

Please share this report widely within your organisation

You can read the annual report [here](#)

Mental Health – Children

Information and resources:

- [MindYou website](#) for information aimed at young people, also the [Childline](#) site
- [YoungMinds](#) has guidance to help if your children are experiencing anxiety about going to school. They also provide a [Helpline](#) for parents or carers concerned about their child's mental health
- The [Rise Above](#) website provides support materials for teachers, which parents may also find useful
- [UNICEF](#) provides a good FAQ for parents



Hi everyone!

I'm just a few days into my role and I would like to introduce myself as the new Workforce Development Adviser for Social Work and Safeguarding (Children and Adults) at South Gloucestershire Council. Some of you will know me already, as I've been an Adult Social Worker (hospital and community), working with people with Dementia, Learning Disabilities, Mental Health and Physical Disabilities. Prior to working for the Council, I worked in Careers Advice and Guidance, Employment and Training and worked within Social Care with people with Mental Health Difficulties and Learning Disabilities, Looked After Children and children and families

experiencing bereavement. Throughout my time at the Council, I've really enjoyed working in the first phase of the 3 Conversations pilot and a being a Practice Educator alongside my role. All of these experiences helped me to realise how important staff development is to me in my work.

I'm really excited about my new role in supporting our internal teams and external partners to take advantage of the CPD opportunities on offer to practitioners from organisations working with children and adults in South Gloucestershire. I'm really interested in how we can embed the learning from Safeguarding reviews into our training offer and via our day to day supervisions and peer led CPD sessions.

There is such a wealth of knowledge and expertise amongst health and social care practitioners in our networks. I'm particularly interested in identifying and harnessing the skills, knowledge and expertise that exists within our networks to enhance our excellent CPD offer.

I am interested in engaging practitioners in CPD and look at ways in which staff can be supported to invest more time in their own development of their knowledge of safeguarding- whilst safeguarding their own wellbeing.

Whilst I am still getting to grips with the new role, I'd love to hear from you if you have any ideas for safeguarding training, feedback on the current offer, or examples of best practice that relate to CPD.

I look forward to working with you all. Joanne Worthington, 01454 864369 joanne.worthington@southglos.gov.uk

Joint Bristol and South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Conference



We are holding a virtual conference week in the week commencing 5th October. The theme is **'Working with Families'** and each day there will be keynote addresses or workshops on this theme that you can attend using zoom, at no cost. These include keynotes from Michael Preston Shoot and Sue Mountstevens. You can attend as many as you wish. Book your places for as many events as you can [here](#)