



South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter 12

SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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Twelfth Edition

This Twelfth 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 – only a week to go 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](#)

Anti Slavery Partnership

The September South West Anti-Slavery Partnership Newsletter is available [here](#)

Human Trafficking and Pregnancy

Poster available [here](#)



Vita Help Line

Please see below details of the local helpline offered by Vita Health.

This 24/7 helpline is aimed at over 18s and offers immediate emotional and practical support

Contact number: 0800 0126549

Poster available [here](#)

Loan Sharks

A brand new 'Stop Loan Sharks' reporting app was launched on Wednesday, September 23, and you can download for free on the [App Store](#) and [Google Play](#).

The app is mainly aimed at frontline professionals and provides useful information on how to recognise the signs of illegal money lending, respond to disclosures and where to refer clients to for specialist support.

If you are concerned that someone you know may be the victim of a loan shark, please call the 24 hour helpline on **0300 555 2222** or seek advice and support through the app. The [promotional landing page](#) provides web users with an overview of the app and links to relevant app stores and share tools.

Domestic Abuse



1 in 5 children experience domestic abuse. Do practitioners in your organisation feel confident to support children and families experiencing this? Can they spot the signs? Do they know what support is available in the wider community?

We have lots of opportunities for practitioners from all organisations to book a place on our Domestic Abuse training programmes.

You can find more information about all the training available for practitioners who work with children or adults [here](#)

The Safeguarding Adults Board Revised Domestic Abuse practice Guidance has been published [here](#)

The Domestic Abuse Toolkit for practitioners working with Children is available [here](#)

Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programme

REPROVIDE is running a domestic abuse perpetrator programme for men who are concerned about their behaviour in relationships with women. Working with Respect accredited organisations (Splitz, Barnardo's & Phoenix DAS) the 6-month abuse reduction programme is being offered as part of a research study.

We are **open to referrals from** Bristol, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire, Somerset, Wiltshire, Blaenau Gwent (South Wales).

Who is suitable?

- **Men who are or have been using violence/abuse in their relationships with women partner(s) or ex-partners**
- **Men who are concerned about their behaviour**
- **Men aged 21+**
- **Men who can understand English well enough to take part in a group programme**

If you are aware of individuals who may be suitable please get in touch directly with us on reprovide-men@bristol.ac.uk or ask them to self-refer.

***ONE WEEK TO GO* 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](#)

Out of Office Briefing – Learning from Serious Case Reviews



A recent Serious Case Review in South Gloucestershire highlighted issues that arose when practitioners are away from the office. One of the actions as a result of this learning was to produce a briefing for use across all agencies.

Please see the briefing [here](#) and ensure that you disseminate this widely across practitioners in your organisations

Out of Routine – A Review of Sudden Unexpected Death in Infancy

This Review by the National Panel considers the learning from the deaths of 40 young children reported to the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel between June 2018 and August 2019. You can read the report and the associated learning [here](#)

Complexity and challenge: a triennial analysis of SCRs 2014-2017

The Triennial Review of Serious Case Reviews has been published [here](#)

A summary for practitioners in South Gloucestershire has been produced for the Children's Partnership and is available [here](#)