



South Gloucestershire Safeguarding Adults Board and Children's Partnership

Safeguarding Newsletter
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SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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February (Part 2) Edition

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

This newsletter, and back copies from the last few months are now available on the website. You can find them all [here](#) on the Children's Partnership site and [here](#) on the Safeguarding Adults Board website.

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

Multi Agency Safeguarding Training

Both the Safeguarding Adults Board and the Children's Partnership commission a programme of multi agency training open to all who work with adults and children in South Gloucestershire. These helpful guides have been produced by Joanne Worthington - to see at a glance what is available and how to book.

Top Tip: Keep the links, because the content will be updated but the links will remain the same

[Safeguarding Children Training](#)

[Safeguarding Adults Training](#)



New Tool for Child Exploitation

We have been using the SERAF tool for when there are concerns about CSE, but know that this doesn't fit when there are concerns about other forms of exploitation.

The [Exploitation Identification Tool](#) replaces the SERAF and should be used from **1st March 2021** instead of a SERAF when a practitioner from any organisation has concerns about any form of child exploitation.

Unless an urgent referral to Social Care is required (due to a disclosure/ injuries etc) the tool should be completed and submitted **alongside** the referral if exploitation is known or suspected.

Drive Project

Drive is a high harm/high risk perpetrator response that is launching in South Gloucestershire in March 2021. Please see below for details of a training day that may be of benefit for you/your colleagues who may be working with service users/families that are open to Drive.



Frontline Practitioners Workforce Development Workshop

Target audience: All frontline professionals who are likely to be engaging with families who may be suitable for the Drive programme. Managers of these teams who have not already attended the Drive stakeholder events may also benefit from attending.

Date of event: Wednesday 3rd March.

This is a 4 hour event with a 30 minute lunch break: Part 1: 09:30 – 11:30 and Part 2: 12:00 – 14:00.

This event is designed to provide an overview of the Drive Model, the Perpetrator Panel and the local referral pathways. There is information about how Drive will map with the existing multi-agency domestic abuse response in the area and information sharing. The event also explores our understanding of individuals who perpetrate abuse, which includes input on perpetrator/abuse typologies. There will be case examples shared to demonstrate how Drive works in practice.

Please see event details, including how to book a place: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drive-frontline-practitioners-workforce-development-workshop-tickets-141465853175>

For more information on the Drive Project: www.driveproject.org.uk. The independent evaluation from the University of Bristol <http://driveproject.org.uk/about/research-evaluation/>. Or e-mail info@driveproject.org.uk.

Next Link Rural IDVA Service



Please see details of the rural IDVA service available in South Gloucestershire.

You can find the Reaching out leaflet [here](#) and the Reaching out poster [here](#)

Please share and make use of these resources.

Professional Curiosity

St John's Ambulance safeguarding team provide guidance to their 15,000 volunteers.

This month their focus is on professional curiosity.

They have created a briefing this month including:

- Remain open minded and expect the unexpected
- Prepare for any anxiety you might have about the way hostile or resistant people might react to being asked direct or difficult questions
- Appreciate that respectful skepticism and challenge are healthy – it is OK to question what you are told
- Demonstrate a willingness to have 'less than comfortable' interactions when this is necessary to gain the whole picture
- Be prepared to be challenged – that is OK, as it should be a constructive two-way dialogue



You can download the 'Professional Curiosity' briefing [here](#)