

Multi Agency Quality Assurance Audit: Transitions May 2022



The adults reviewed for this multi agency audit are aged between 19 and 25. Three of them are male and three are female. Three of the adults live with their parents two in their own home and one in supported living.

The adults in the audit have a range of needs including Learning Disability, financial abuse, isolation & loneliness exacerbated by Covid, Deaf Adult, ADHD, Autism, childhood trauma, sexual abuse, depression and anxiety, Domestic Abuse, exploitation

What we are worried about?

The audit group saw concerns in terms of:

- Information about criminal process was received by family rather than contact from the Police. Difficulty being able to get an update from an individual officer
- Young adult using BSL, but no family members can use BSL. Support offered to family but not accepted
- MARAC referral delayed – but changes are underway to ensure this is improved going forward
- Did not see consideration of the impact of control in a capacity assessment
- Clarity and protocols needed for professionals when there are multiple non attendance/no response to support professionals with decision making

The audit of 4th May 2022 reviewed the records of six adults who were identified through Adult Safeguarding under the theme of Transition to Adulthood. The aim of the audit was to ascertain whether there were good multi-agency standards for managing cases and whether organisations have implemented a robust and consistent response in line with statutory and good practice guidance, SGSAB policies and procedures and the six key principles underpinning all adult safeguarding work.



Organisations that audited their involvement with the six adults were: Adult Social Care, Sirona, AWP, NBT, UHBW, Next Link, Community Safety Team, SWAN Advocacy



Progress from Previous Transitions Audit in 2018

- Improvements identified
- The professionals made efforts beyond expectations in the covid period
- DASH form completed, this was missing in the previous audit
- Overwhelmingly the audits were examples of good practice

Voice of the adult
was clearly heard



Consider Healthy Relationship work for Adults with Learning Difficulties – click for details of a workshop



Always consider a referral to advocacy, Young Adult in family breakdown could have been offered this



If not able to make contact with an adult - work with others who do have access

What Good Practice did we see?

- Appropriate risk assessment in place and discussed with the adults
- Specialist BSL Advocate sourced to support a deaf adult
- Good liaison between organisations, effective multi agency working
- Good support by GP – and personalised contact
- Very clear voice of adult heard
- Evidence of DASH completed
- Perpetrator of DVA part of the DRIVE programme
- Persistent attempts/perseverance to contact

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Information about MARAC available here

DASH Risk Assessment is here

SWAN Advocacy click here for details

Exploitation of Adults Training Click here