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SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL PARTNERS

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Fourteenth Edition

This Fourteenth 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

So You Got Naked Online (SEND Edition)

This leaflet for young people has been available for some time, and South West Grid for Learning have now produced a SEND edition. You can read and download this version here

Signs of Safety Partners Briefing

Jo Hillier, Signs of Safety Lead, has published the latest briefing for partners to keep you up to date with how signs of safety is used in South Gloucestershire.

You can read the briefing **here**



Joint Adults Conference

All of the sessions that took place over the conference week are now available online to watch if you missed any of them or want to watch again.

You can find all of the sessions here

The session about **Domestic Abuse** is particularly recommended for practitioners who work with children as well as adults

You can see the Domestic Abuse session here

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JTAI - Joint Targeted Area Inspections - What is the Next Theme?

We know that JTAI inspections are always on a theme. The next theme we expect to be used for inspections is **Exploitation**. You can read the full guidance for this theme here. The inspections will consider children at risk of, or experiencing, sexual and criminal exploitation.

In the next newsletter there will be some 'top tips' for professionals who are involved in a JTAI inspection. Each organisation has a lead who can help you if you have any questions about JTAI and your role.

- Local Authority: your contact is <u>Catherine Boyce</u>
- Health Providers: your contact is **Anne Fry**
- Police: your contact is Michelle Jarrett
- Youth Offending Service: your contact is Tracy Warburton
- CRC: your contact is <u>Kate Morrow</u>
- NPS: your contact is <u>Tom Wellman</u>

Young Ambassadors - Recruitment



South Gloucestershire Council are recruiting six young ambassadors to put their skills and experience to use to help shape decisions. It is a vital role, getting involved in a range of projects affecting young people:

They will represent young people's views at meetings, ensuring those aged under 25 have influence in every decision that affects them and support recruitment and training of social work staff. Applications and more information here

Alcohol Awareness Week

Alcohol is part of many of our lives and all of us will have noticed its effects – if not the effects of our own drinking, then someone else's – at one time or another. Alcohol Awareness Week offers us the opportunity to think and talk openly about alcohol and its effects on our lives and those around us, and to take actions to change our drinking behaviour for the better. The theme for this year is 'alcohol and mental health'.



In a year of extraordinary change and uncertainty, join DHI and guests for our lunch time seminar to think about the ways in which we may sometimes use alcohol to help us cope when we're feeling low, anxious, stressed or worried. This event is aimed at professionals, however anyone is welcome to join.

Tuesday 17th November 11.30am (1 hour) This event is free however you must pre-book a ticket. Please sign up here

South Gloucestershire Alcohol Strategy Launch Event

This new strategy is being launched on **16 November 2020 at 1pm**. The event is being held virtually on Microsoft Teams - and you can join <u>here</u>

Children's Partnership One Year On



At the end of September the Children's Partnership celebrated its first full year of existence. This was always intended to be a transition year, but none of us could have imagined the changes we would all experience in 2020.

We would love to hear your views about the Partnership.

- ✓ Are you are part of one of the workstreams and could tell us what is great and what could make them better?
- ✓ Are you a member of the Stakeholder Network and could tell us how we could engage better?
- ✓ Were you a member of the old LSCB? Or Children, Young People and Families Partnership? Could you give us feedback about the new arrangements?

We have a virtual drop in day on **Thursday 26th November** from 9am-5pm – you can join the Microsoft Teams meeting for a few minutes at any time during that day to talk to us and tell us your views and ideas. Join the meeting at any time on 26th November here or email your thoughts here

Allegations against People who work with Children

In South Gloucestershire the **LADO** (Local Authority Designated Officer) is the point of contact for any allegations or worries about an adult who works or volunteers with children.

New resources are available to support you:

<u>LADO Process Flowchart</u> <u>LADO Leaflet for Children</u> <u>LADO Leaflet for Children age 11+</u>

Information for people who are facing an allegation

You can contact the LADO by telephone on **01454 868508** or email the LADO here

Protecting children from county lines

NSPCC Learning has put together information to help anyone who works or volunteers with children and young people to recognise the signs that a child might be being exploited by a county lines gang, and understand what action to take to help keep children safe. Topics covered include: the risks associated with county lines; recognising and responding to concerns about county lines; how professionals can work to prevent county lines; and a summary of the relevant legislation and guidance. Read more here

Training Update from Joanne Worthington

Do you worry about your case notes ever being used in a serious case review, SARS or at court of protection? Do you want to feel more confident and improve your case note recording?

Learn new ways of writing succinct, accurate case notes and reports in this pragmatic and interactive session led by Graham Hopkins, writer of 'The Write Stuff and of Plain English for social workers'.

For Children's Social Care staff: 'The Record business' -11th November - book <u>here</u>. For Adult social care staff 'The Write Way' - 10th November – book <u>here</u>. This training is also available to practitioner who are not social workers.