

# Lancashire Safeguarding Partnership Newsletter

## December 2023

Welcome to Lancashire Safeguarding Partnership's newsletter.

Lancashire Safeguarding is a multi-agency Partnership established to ensure safeguarding measures are met, and that vulnerable children and adults across Lancashire, Blackpool and Blackburn with Darwen are protected from harm, and abuse and lessons are learned from case reviews and improvements identified and implemented.

### Training Opportunities

Please find below details for safeguarding training available online and locally:

#### Safeguarding Adult Reviews—Learning from reviews session

This session on Wednesday 6th December between 13.00 and 14.00 is a virtual MS teams event and is for frontline practitioners and managers from across the multi-agency adult workforce across Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool and Lancashire. The aim of the session is to raise awareness of Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs), including the purpose; process; referrals and learning. You can book onto this course by contacting [jpbu@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:jpbu@lancashire.gov.uk).

#### SUDC Nurse bespoke training

If you or your organisation would like to learn more about the role of the SUDC Nurse, the Joint Agency Response or the Child Death Review Processes, the SUDC Service can provide bespoke training. Please contact Joanne Birch, Lead SUDC Nurse for more details. Tel: 07930852073, Email: [joanne.birch@lscft.nhs.uk](mailto:joanne.birch@lscft.nhs.uk)

#### 7 Minute briefings

Our extremely popular 7-Minute Briefing safeguarding summaries on a wide variety of topics which can be used to cascade learning across teams. Access them [here](#).

#### Orange Button Community Scheme

People who are having thoughts of suicide, or who are worried about a friend or family member, can now push the button when they see someone wearing a distinctive orange badge, and ask them for information and support. The orange button is worn by people in Lancashire and South Cumbria who have undergone specialised suicide prevention training, and while they are not able to counsel people, they can provide comprehensive signposting to relevant services. There is also an orange button sticker that can be supplied to businesses and organisations such as cafes, shops and pubs, to place in a prominent window alerting people to trained staff available to help.

Join the Orange Button community by accessing the training [here](#).

### Things to look out for

#### NSPCC

The NSPCC Library hosts the National collection of case reviews. This update highlights case reviews recently added to the collection and features one of our Learning from case reviews briefings. More information can be found [here](#). NSPCC Learning has updated its page on writing safeguarding policies and procedures which now includes a new section on reviewing safeguarding policies and procedures. The guidance on writing a policy statement and writing procedures has also been [updated](#).

#### CDOP/SUDC Prevention

The latest CDOP newsletter is the Winter edition and it includes updates on: NCMD Data, Winter Safety Advice, Vaccines & Guidance updates. You can access the newsletter [here](#).

#### Stop Loan Sharks

The theme for this year's Christmas social media campaign is #shopsmartnotshark. You can access the campaign [here](#).

#### The Lundy Model

In recognition of the inherent vulnerability that being a child brings, children have their own distinct set of human rights (UNCRC, 1989). The ICB developed the Lundy Model 7MB which can be found [here](#).

#### Mental health transformation funding

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board are now ready to launch this year's Adult and Older Adult Community Mental Health Transformation funding for the VCFSE sector. For more info click [here](#).

#### Child F C SPR

Following the Child F C SPR and publication of the report including recommendations, there was a SmartSurvey completion from the partnership contextual operational groups. The responses have been collated into a MS Sway presentation and has been shared with the Independent reviewer and chair of the Action planning panel.

The presentation is available on the CSAP website for wider sharing [here](#).

## National News

Professor Chris Whitty's [annual report](#) recommends actions to improve quality of life for older adults and prioritise areas with the fastest growth in older people.

Podcast on early intervention and support for parents experiencing adversity, focusing on the first 1001 days of a child's life; how trauma affects brain development; and building trusting relationships between services and service users can be found here: [Podcast: Supporting new parents through adversity](#)

Ofcom has published new research exploring [how children communicate online in the UK](#). Findings include: 60% of 11- to 18-year-olds have experienced some form of potentially uncomfortable interactions/conversations when communicating online at some point in the past; including 13% who have been sent pictures or videos of naked or half-dressed people and 10% who have ever been asked to share these types of pictures or videos themselves; and for many potentially uncomfortable forms of contact, the experience often occurs within/during the first contact with the person or people in question.

Public Health Wales has created [a practical handbook to support professionals with tackling adverse childhood experiences \(ACEs\) and developing trauma-informed systems](#). The handbook sets out strategies and information on preventing and responding to ACEs, including child maltreatment and other stressful experiences within the first 18 years of life, such as exposure to family violence or substance abuse by parents or caregivers.

Ofsted has published a [report looking at the multi-agency response to children and families needing support](#), with a focus on targeted early help. The report describes findings from five joint targeted area inspections and evaluates work across children's social care, health services, schools and the police. Findings include: resource pressures make prioritising early help hard; there is a need for a child-centred approach within early help; and information-sharing needs to be improved.

## National Safeguarding Adults Week

Thank you for all your support and involvement in the awareness of Safeguarding Adults week this year which took place week commencing 20.11.23.

We posted lots across social media through X account [CSAP & LSAB \(@CSAP\\_LSAB\) / X \(twitter.com\)](#) and shared information across partners working in Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool and Lancashire

Two lunch and learning sessions ran in the week. The first was the "Case of Rose" delivered by Designated Nurse for Safeguarding, Rachel Holyhead (ICB) looking at best practice, multi agencies working together to support someone with capacity issues and going into palliative care. Lots of great feedback and questions raised on a very challenging set of circumstances.

Then we ran the Trauma Informed Practice session which was delivered by Justin Srivastava from Violence Reduction Network which was also really informative about how our workforce can be supported.

Both sessions were really well attended by 80+ on each session. Thank you to everyone who took the time to support and attend.

If you have any suggestions on what we can do next year please let us know

## We want to hear from you!



We are continuously learning and wanting to improve the work that we do. If there is anything you would like to see on this newsletter that would help you and your colleagues to safeguard adults and children better we want to hear from you. If you would like to be added to the distribution list for this newsletter you can also contact us directly. Please email us at : [JPBU@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:JPBU@lancashire.gov.uk) with the email title 'Safeguarding newsletter'.