



Darlington Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board

MESSAGES BULLETIN

FROM THE DARLINGTON SAFEGUARDING ADULTS PARTNERSHIP BOARD

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Welcome to the eleventh bulletin from the Darlington Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board. The Board is made up of leaders from a range of organisations such as Police, Local Authority, Public Health, Care Quality Commission (CQC), Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), providers of Health Care, Social Care, Housing, Voluntary Services and the Probation Services all of which have an interest in safeguarding adults at risk of abuse or neglect. The Board meets on a bi-monthly basis to ensure safeguarding practice is well coordinated and meeting the needs of individuals subject to safeguarding procedures.

The Board met on 12th January 2018 and the headlines from the meeting are as follows:

Darlington Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board Multi-Agency Policy and Procedures to Safeguard Adults at Risk of Abuse and Neglect



Darlington Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board has recently reviewed and revised the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Policy and Procedures to Safeguard Adults at Risk of Abuse and Neglect. The document is now available online at:

www.darlingtonsafeguardingboards.co.uk/adults-safeguarding-board/professionals/safeguarding-adult-multi-agency-policy-and-procedures.

The procedures have been updated to reflect recent changes in practice guidance and incorporate recent learning from national and local Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs) and Lessons Learned Reviews (LLRs). The online policy and procedures are designed to assist members of the public to recognise and report abuse and neglect and guide professionals who work with adults with care and support needs. The document is designed to be easily navigated with hyperlinks to useful resources and toolkits to assist practitioners in decision making and practice. If you have any comments about the format of the online procedures or any suggestions as to how this resource may be improved please contact the Safeguarding Boards Business Unit on 01325 406451 or by e mail at:

safeguardingboards@darlington.gov.uk



Darlington Multi-Agency Practice Guidance: Self-Neglect and Hoarding

The Board has developed and ratified new multi-agency practice guidance in respect of Self- Neglect and Hoarding: [Self-Neglect and Hoarding Multi-Agency Practice Guidance](#). This document outlines the guidance for supporting adults with care and support needs who are at risk of harm as a result of self-neglect. Effective multi-agency partnership working and collaboration can help inform the bigger picture and

facilitate more effective interventions in cases of self-neglect and this document is intended as a multi-agency guide to issues of self-neglect and to provide procedural guidance to practitioners within Adult Social Care. The document and other multi-agency practice guidance is available on the professional's page of the Safeguarding Boards website at: www.darlingtonsafeguardingboards.co.uk/adults-safeguarding-board/professionals/



Summary of Learning from Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) Gladys- Briefing Document

The Board has published a multi-agency briefing document for professionals which summarises the lessons learned from the Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) in respect of Gladys who sadly died in January 2016 as a result of injuries sustained in a series of falls in a care home setting. The Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) was published in March 2017 and the briefing document summarising the learning can be accessed via the Safeguarding Boards website at: www.darlingtonsafeguardingboards.co.uk/media/1403/summary-of-lessons-for-publication



National Institute for Clinical Health Care and Excellence (NICE)- Decision making and mental capacity- Draft guidance consultation:

The National Institute for Clinical Health Care and Excellence (NICE) has developed draft guidance on decision making and mental capacity and has opened a consultation on the proposed guidance. The project information, draft guidance and consultation documents can be accessed at: www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ng10009/consultation. The closing date for the consultation is **Monday 5th February 2018**.



Local Government Association (LGA) - Resources to support Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP):

The LGA has developed a suite of resources intending to support Safeguarding Adults Boards and partners in developing and promoting Making Safeguarding Personal. It offers support to Boards in both the assurance role and in actively supporting and leading a culture change towards MSP. The full suite of documents can be accessed at: www.local.gov.uk/topics/social-care-health-and-integration/adult-social-care/making-safeguarding-personal/resources



ActiAction for Elder Abuse publication- A Patchwork of Practice:

In December 2017 Action for Elder Abuse published a report entitled 'A Patchwork of Practice' which outlines what adult protection statistics for England tell us about the implementation of the Care Act 2014. The report is based on the Safeguarding Adults Collection (SAC) Annual Report for England 2016-17. The report can be accessed here: [Patchwork-of-Practice DEC2017.pdf](#)

You can access information on a wide range of safeguarding issues including updates from the Board on the [Safeguarding Boards' website](#)

The Independent Chair of the Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board is:
Ann Baxter

The Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board is supported by a joint business unit which also supports the Darlington Safeguarding Children Board.

For further information you can contact a member of the team on: 01325 406452 or visit our website: www.darlingtonsafeguardingboards.co.uk