

**Practice with Providers Sub Group
Terms of Reference**

1.	GROUP MEMBERSHIP
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCC Adult Services • CCG'S • CSU • LCC Adult Commissioning • Health Trusts • Lancashire Police PPU • Probation • LCA • Healthwatch • Third Sector Service Providers
2.	CHAIR
	To be determined by election from Lancashire Safeguarding Adults Provider Sub-Group, subject to LSAB chair approval. Chair to be a full Board Member
3.	BROAD TASKS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An action plan will be developed for the coming 12 months having regard for the objectives and priorities of the LSAB and will focus activity upon improving the quality and safety of services across Lancashire • The actions identified within the plan will include nominated leads and clear reporting timescales, these will be reviewed at each meeting • Agenda items can be submitted from any member and will be received not later than 1 week prior to the meeting • Where appropriate, at the discretion of the Chair time limited Task and Finish groups will be established to make recommendations • The meeting will also provide an opportunity, via a slot on the Agenda for information sharing and a good practice forum
4	REPORTS TO
	Lancashire Safeguarding Adult Board
5.	FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS
	The group will meet bi-monthly and minutes and actions will be made available to the LSAB, quoracy to be agreed by the Chair
6.	OVERALL STATEMENT
	Partners within the County Provider Practice Group will strive to maintain and develop relationships with all stakeholders through effective collaboration and

	communication. This will be achieved through closer working between service providers and commissioners to secure safe services and the best possible outcomes for adults in Lancashire at risk of harm
7.	RESPONSIBILITIES
7.1	To maintain and develop positive relationships and partnerships between provider services and commissioning agencies
7.2	Improve coordination, communication and learning with partners to strengthen understanding of agency roles and responsibilities within Lancashire's safeguarding multi agency policies and procedures
7.3	Promote a collaborative approach to issues and problems within a culture that supports learning
7.4	To support the co-development of effective tools to promote consistent and equitable practices for adults in Lancashire at risk of harm
7.5	To receive and disseminate information, themes and trends received from Radar and where appropriate make recommendations
7.6	To assist in managing quality of services through a proactive approach to early intervention in services commissioned by the Council
7.7	To respond to significant challenges and service needs which may arise that prevent effective safeguarding adults and requires a collaborative solution focused approach
7.8	To assist with the sharing of challenges and service needs for adults at risk of harm to inform future commissioning intentions of health, social care and partner agencies
7.9	To review with all agencies the impact of all changes to the Lancashire SA multi-agency policies and procedure and the LCC Adult Social Care Policy and Procedure for Managing Service Provider Quality and Performance in Commissioned Services
7.10	To establish arrangements for effective communications and engagement with providers not directly linked in to the County Providers Practice Group
8.	QUALITY EXPECTATIONS
	<p>To the LSAB through the provision of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Action Plan for the coming year which details the work priorities, timescales and lead agency • Briefing reports to the LSAB at 6 monthly intervals to report progress; rag rating with commentary including issues that require the advice or a decision of the LSAB <p>Action Plan and briefing reports will be available to providers and partner agencies via</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCC website • Provider forums • Lancashire Care Association

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioning Support Unit
9.	OPERATIONAL WORKING GROUPS/SUBGROUPS
	None defined

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