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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:

Connect 5 Mental Health and Wellbeing training

A 2 day course focusing on a range of CBT based tools that can be used with clients to assist them to have better insight into their situations and can help them to make changes in their lives. The following dates are available: 5th July & 12th July 2023

1st August & 8th August 2023

If you would like to attend, please email your name, job role, team/service/department and which course you would like to attend to: helena.brown@blackpoolcarers.org

Trauma Informed Lancashire training

The main aim of these workshops is to educate individuals to understand and be more aware of the trauma people may have experienced, and by making this a multi-agency approach, we hope that people have a more positive experience both in terms of interactions with services and in those services being structured to deal with their needs. They have been great in helping to reduce violence as a wider project.

Book yourself onto this training here.

Launch Event - CSAP Guidance for CIOC from Out of area placed in provisions within Lancashire

By the end of the session, participants will have:

A greater understanding of the purpose of this guidance

The expectation BwD, Blackpool and Lancashire have of local authorities' residential care provisions and children's home when children in our care are placed in the geographical footprint

Sets out minimum standards that is expected of residential care providers and homes who provide care to children

Contact information for different partner agencies in Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool and Lancashire.

6th July 2-3pm

20th July 10-11am

Research and experience indicate that very young babies are extremely vulnerable and that work carried out in the antenatal period to assess risk and to plan intervention will help to minimise harm. The Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool and Lancashire Multi-agency pre-birth protocol can be found here.

Policy News

Things to look out for

Current Consultations:

- Working Together to Safeguard Children (Closes on 6th September)
- Information sharing advice for safeguarding practitioners (Closes on 6th September)
- Domestic Homicide Review legislation consultation (Closes on 11th August)
- Mandatory reporting for child sexual abuse consultation (Closes on 14th August)

Behaviour and Mental health in Schools

The Children & Young People's Mental Health Coalition (CYPMHC) has published a report on mental health and behaviour in schools based on a year long inquiry on the impact of school behavioural policies and what can be done to improve the approach. Links to the report, case studies and a 3 minute video can be found here

Social media company Snap has published a new report on evidence of online sextortion schemes targeting teens and young people in six countries. It was found that 65% of respondents said they or their friends had been targeted by such schemes. Read more here.

QES Case Review System for all CSPRs and SARs



Although we planned to go live from 19th June 2023, due to issues with system testing, in particular around chronology submissions and collations, sign off of User Assurance Testing has been delayed. We are hoping these issues are resolved quickly and are now looking to go live from 17th July 2023 Since the last newsletter we have issued Governance Documents to all IG leads across key partner organisations which are going through a final review, and had volunteers from a cross section of areas to have access to the "Test site".











National News

Stoke-on-Trent City Council explain how they've used YOURmeds to promote independence for those reliant upon medication to manage their long- term conditions. You can find the webinar here.

National co-production celebrates the benefits of co-production, shares good practice and promotes the contribution of people who use services and carers in developing better public services. The theme this year is **Co-production in the real world.**

Strengths-based (or asset-based) approaches focus on people's strengths - including personal strengths and social and community networks - and not on asking: "What's wrong?". Here, is a blog by Ellie Howarth discussing 'The power of a professional and a strengths-based approach to aspiration'.

There's a programme to support local authorities to improve their work with families; and safely reduce the number of children entering care by implementing successful sector-designed innovations. Read more <u>here</u>.

The DHSC has published an independent report into a government-backed scheme to improve outcomes for children of alcohol-dependent parents in England which ended in March 2022. The report can be found here.

The Association for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (ACAMH) has published a podcast discussing the link between maternal depressive symptoms and child inhibitory control, Listen to the podcast here.

Barnardo's has published the findings of an online poll of British children, parents and carers about the difficulties they could face during the upcoming summer holidays as the cost of living crisis continues. Read more here.

The Children's Commissioner for England has published new research examining the number of looked after children missing from education in England. Findings can be found here.

Research from Oxford University looking at how the outsourcing of children's social care to the private sector has influenced placement locality and long-term stability over time. Findings can be found here.

A webinar on the national review of non accidental injuries in under 1's was hosted by care knowledge and can be found <u>here</u>.

NSPCC Learning has published a new blog post as part of its Why Language Matters series on how the label <u>'older boyfriend' can mask child sexual exploitation (CSE)</u>.

The What Works Centre for Children & Families published research on Family Group Conferences (FGC) and the prevention of children going into care in England. Read more about this **here**.

Three education and local authority leads share how they work to take preventative action or intervene where necessary to help ensure the most vulnerable children and young people remain in education. Read more about this here.

Have a safeguarding concern? - Contact your local authority here:

Blackpool Children:

01253 477 299 Duty.assessment@blackpool.gov.uk

Blackpool Adults:

01253 477 800 01253 477600 (emergency out of hours) Adult.socialcare@blackpool.gov.uk

Lancashire Children:

0300 123 6720 0300 123 6722 (out of hours) Online here

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0300 123 6720 0300 123 6722 (out of hours) Online here

Blackburn with Darwen Children:

01254 666 400 01254 587 547 (out of hours) Online here

Blackburn with Darwen Adults:

01254 585 949 01254 587 547 (out of hours) <u>safeguarding.adults@blackburn.gov.uk</u>

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 with the email title 'Safeguarding newsletter'.