Welcome to the January edition of the NHS England and NHS Improvement South West Safeguarding newsletter!

The team would like to take the opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year and we look forward to working with you all throughout 2021!

Children and Young People Safeguarding

In November 2020 the Home Office launched a new campaign 'Something's Not Right' to help children in secondary school's across England who suffered from a range of harms, such as emotional, sexual or physical abuse, during lockdown. The campaign focusses on feelings so where children who suffer may not be able to define or describe an experience but know how they feel and that something isn't right and where to go for help.

More information around the campaign can be found<u>here</u> and the Home Office have also produced free-to-download lesson plans on the <u>PSHE Association website</u>, aimed at key stage 3 - 5 students focussing on;

- Helping young people to recognise abuse
- Providing information on where to go for help
- Overcoming barriers to reporting abuse

Child Protection – Information Sharing (CP-IS) Newsletter

Edition 3 provides an update which includes a 2020 roundup and a case study showing how CP-IS staff at North East Ambulance Service's operation centre, identified a neglected child.

This <u>newsletter</u> has been created by both the NHS Digital and National NHS England and NHS Improvement team.

Adult Safeguarding

Deaths of adults with learning disabilities from COVID-19: a comparator analysis of 206 deaths

In July 2020, the Learning Disabilities Mortality Review (LeDeR) programme published a short report describing key information relating to the first 50 completed LeDeR reviews of deaths of people with learning disabilities whose deaths had been attributed to COVID-19.

This report builds on that previous report, by describing the circumstances leading to death for a representative sample of 206 adults with learning disabilities. The majority (79%) of their deaths were

attributable to COVID-19; a small group whose deaths were due to other causes are included as a comparator group. The aim of this report is to highlight those aspects of the condition itself, or the care provided to those who have died, that can inform a better understanding of COVID-19 as relevant to people with learning disabilities.

The objectives are to:

- Describe the symptoms and presentation of COVID-19 in a sample of people with learning disabilities.
- Describe the circumstances of their death.
- Extract any learning for future service provision in relation to COVID-19 in people with learning disabilities.

For information, see the <u>COVID-19 easy read</u> and <u>Deaths around people with learning disabilities</u> from COVID-19.

Contextual Safeguarding

PREVENT - grab guides and rapid reads

Prevent grab-guides have been rebranded as <u>7-minute</u> <u>briefings</u>. The briefings cover general guidance, CCG guidance, training, data assurance, counter terrorism local profiles, government security classifications and channel guidance and the 'ACT EARLY' Campaign.

Rapid Reads, produced by the Department of Health and Social care together with regional NHSEI colleagues and are aimed to be an "entry level" Prevent product that any health practitioner can read and learn about Prevent. The first Rapid Read provided an introduction to Prevent and focussed on how to make a referral and this second issue focuses on the signs of radicalisation and aims to give confidence that vulnerability to radicalisation is no different from other safeguarding concerns. Please click <u>here</u> to view the latest rapid read and use this in your communications across your own organisations to highlight the awareness.

Interventions to prevent intimate partner and sexual violence: summary

Public Health England (PHE) conducted a rapid evidence review to explore what interventions are effective in preventing intimate partner and sexual violence and identified several studies. A selection of the studies can be found within the <u>report</u>, along with details around their methods, results and impact.

Domestic Violence and Abuse

At the beginning of January 2021, many of you will be aware that the Home Office announced their latest campaign which aims to



raise the awareness of domestic abuse and services available to those whom maybe suffering in silence. Please do discreetly share this campaign within your own health organisation; <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/domestic-abusehow-to-get-help</u>

2021 Modern Slavery Victim Care Contract now live

The contract, awarded to The Salvation Army, will provide a service that meets the needs of each victim, including those with specialist and complex needs.

A 24 hour, 7 day a week referral line for those individuals who require immediate accommodation at the point of referral to the National Referral Mechanism (NRM). First Responders should contact The Salvation Army on 0800 808 3733 when they identify those in need of this <u>support</u>.

Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Threat to the UK

The NCA National Assessment Centre has put together this <u>document</u> around the key points relating to the threat to the UK around Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking.

Four Nations Public Health in Policing and Serious Violence Webinar Series

Following the launch of the National Police/Health Consensus supported by the College of Policing Public Health principles, development of the Violence Reduction Units, and numerous discussion papers, there is a national policing and public health appetite for sharing practice, information, innovation and ideas.

The appetite is equally applicable across the four nations of England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland, and this series of interactive webinars will provide a platform for sharing learning, inspiring and equipping practitioners and raising awareness of how whole system public health approaches support proactive preventative approaches to policing.

Key areas include:

- An introduction to public health approaches What is it and how will it benefit my working practice?
- Early intervention and prevention
- Trauma informed practice

- Whole system public health approaches
- Public health approaches during crisis

The webinar series is free to access and will provide a unique opportunity for online discussion and debate. To view the draft Programme and register your interest please see hear

Additional Information

Making Recruitment Safer – looking to the future, DBS Conference 24th & 25th March 2021

This virtual conference is an opportunity to:

- Learn how DBS is developing its services to meet your needs and how you can contribute to this
- Hear from experts who have lived experience of abuse and harm
- **Connect** with colleagues from across safeguarding
- Share experiences and best practice
- Collaborate with others to develop and build successful partnerships

If you would like to be the first to find out when registration opens, please email <u>DBSConference2021@dbs.gov.uk</u> to register your interest.

Local System Shout Out

Knife Crime - A New Way Forward

This month's great BIG Shout Out is given to our colleagues in Avon and Somerset Police for their work in around the new campaign, launched by the Constabulary relating to knife crime -"Knife Crime – A New Way Forward."

For the past year the police have been working with young people from schools in Bristol, Taunton and Weston Super Mare, to educate young people to stay away and combat knife crime and as part of this short videos exploring the impact have been produced and can be found <u>here</u>.

And finally...

The next issue will be circulated on Friday 26th February 2021.

Newsletter complied by the NHS England and NHS Improvement South West regional Safeguarding Team. Forward

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