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SSP Training 2022-23 Update – FAQ's

Swindon Safeguarding Partnership (SSP) Multi-Agency Training Offer 2022-23



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- Training for 2022/23 continues to be delivered virtually, unless indicated.
- Course dates are now available for booking and dates are at least six months in advance – [click here to review](#).
- Introduction of [SSP courses charter](#). If you are booking a place on a course, please review this information.


Below are some FAQ's/issues highlighted over the past year. Please take a few moments to familiarise yourself with them as this will assist you in the course booking process.





Please note the BSU staff are not working in the office any contact should be via email to safeguardingpartnership@swindon.gov.uk.






- ✓ **Booking a place:** all courses must be booked through the [SSP website](#). If a booking is received for a course that is marked as FULL on this page, then the applicant is unlikely to be allocated a place and any payment made may not be refunded.
- ✓ **Only those delegates who have booked a place should attend the training.** Please be advised if you do try to attend the training and have not booked a place on the course the trainer has been provided with the delegate list and is unlikely to allow you to participate.
- ✓ **Payment:** For those delegates who are required to pay the cost of attending a course remains the same. Payment is taken at the time of booking by either credit or debit card.
- ✓ **Receipts:** If you require a receipt please ensure you tick the box on the payment page. We are unable to provide these retrospectively.
- ✓ **Cancellation:** If you are subsequently unable to attend the training, you have booked (free or paid courses) it is imperative that you cancel your booking **as soon as possible or within 10 working days**. If you fail to do this within the timescales you are likely to incur charges. You can cancel your place via your booking confirmation email or by emailing the safeguardingpartnership@swindon.gov.uk
- ✓ **Attendance on the course:** There have been several occasions where people have failed to attend a course they have booked. If you are subsequently unable to attend the training please be courteous and cancel your booking **as soon as possible or within 10 working days**. With sufficient notice this allows us to offer the place to someone else. It also means that you are less likely to incur cancellation charges.
- ✓ **Joining instructions:** SSP BSU will send the joining instructions via email – **this will include the link to join the training session**. Please ensure you check your

	<p>junk/spam folder. It is the delegate's responsibility to ensure they have kept a note of the course date and entered this into their calendar. Reminders will not be sent.</p> <p>✓ Requesting a certificate. If you require a certificate confirming your attendance on the course this can now be downloaded from the SSP website. Following your participation and full attendance on the respective course you will need to complete the evaluation form. This will be a link to MS forms provided by your trainer or accessed on the respective course webpage.</p> <p>If you experience any difficulties with booking or paying for any training course, please contact - safeguardingpartnership@swindon.gov.uk.</p>
<p>Still some spaces on SSP courses</p> 	<p>At the time of publishing there were still some places available on the following courses please refer to the SSP website for further information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Managing allegations on 4/5/2022 - Managing allegations - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership ➤ Digital Safeguarding and Creating Safer Cultures online - 11th May 2022 - Digital safeguarding and creating safer cultures online - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership ➤ Learning from SAR's and audits – 23rd June 2022 - Learning from safeguarding adults reviews/audits - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership ➤ Safeguarding and self-neglect/hoarding – core module – adults – 14th June 2022 - Safeguarding and self-neglect/hoarding (core module) - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership
<p>SSP/CSP meetings and deadlines</p> 	<p>All of meeting dates for the SSP/CSP groups are now available for the year, this includes information about when the papers will be requested and when the deadline for submission. To access the document click SSP meeting deadlines 2022-23 - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</p>
<p>Other Local Training/Alternative Learning Resources/Briefing Opportunities</p>	
<p>Are you interested in being a Trauma Informed Champion?</p> 	<p>This is another opportunity for professionals across Swindon to become a Trauma Informed Champion. The training dates are to be confirmed but likely to be in September. If you would like to find out more or register your interest to be a champion, please click on this link below.</p> <p>https://connected.kca.training/register.cfm?form=champions-cohort3</p> <p>If you have any questions please contact Swindon Borough Council Learning and development email: Learninganddevelopment@swindon.gov.uk</p>
<p>Early Intervention and Prevention Partnership Network Meetings</p> <p>16th May 2022 North Swindon</p> <p>17th May 2022 South Swindon</p>	<p>FISS will be hosting two Early Intervention and Prevention Partnership Network Meetings in May to enable Early Help to be more visible in communities and with partners. These meetings will be where professionals from across all different service providers including health, police, schools, libraries, voluntary sector and many more, will be invited to take part in an informative and interactive morning. We will have guest presenters, workshops and we will also be asking our amazing schools to showcase the skills of some of Swindon's young people to endorse the reason why Swindon is a great place to live and work.</p> <p>This will be our first FISS partnership meeting in Swindon, however we anticipate holding them 3 times a year to showcase the multi-agency work that is taking place across the Town and the difference we are all making to children, young people and their families. We are hosting the events in the North and South as part of our delivery model for Family Hubs, however colleagues are welcome to attend either. This is all about us promoting our work as part of Swindon Communities Together and Early Help in communities and with partners. Please book onto one of the dates (either the 16th or the 17th May). Agenda will be confirmed in the coming weeks</p>

 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ NORTH - https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/north-early-intervention-prevention-partnership-network-tickets-301975044487 ✓ SOUTH - https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/south-early-intervention-prevention-partnership-network-tickets-301968344447
<p>Adult Suicide Prevention – Services available to support adults experiencing suicidal ideation</p> 	<p>There have been a number of deaths in Swindon where adults have sadly taken their own lives, sometimes following a long period of suicidal ideation and sometimes after one or more previous suicide attempts.</p> <p>This document signposts professionals in Swindon to the help and support that can be accessed; and to support professionals to enable the adults to work with the services available. It is advised that any staff working with individuals in these complex situations should ensure that they seek timely advice and support from their own organisation’s safeguarding leads. The document can be accessed here</p> <p>See also the free suicide prevention eLearning available on the SSP website.</p>
<p>Child Protection Basic Awareness eLearning</p> 	<p>There is now a free basic awareness child protection eLearning course available on the SSP website. Swindon Borough Council Learning and Development have developed this resource. There are four parts and each part will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. For further information and to access the course please click here</p> <p><u>Please note</u> at this time we are unable to provide a certificate to confirm completion of this eLearning.</p>
<p>Save The Date! Wednesday 15th June 2022 10am - 4pm</p> 	<p>Preparing for Adulthood. Transitions Roadshow 2022. This event is for parents, carers and professionals who support young people age 14+ with additional needs.</p> <p>Venue: Swindon Town Football Club</p> <p>For more information, including previous stall holders, search for Transitions Roadshow on https://localoffer.swindon.gov.uk</p>
<p>Reprovide Perpetrator Programme Webinar - Wednesday 18th May 2022 - 14.00 - 15:30</p> 	<p>Reprovide is a non-mandatory perpetrator programme run in partnership between Bristol University and Splitz Support Service and is open to male perpetrators from Swindon. Further information click here.</p> <p>At the webinar you can find out more information about the programme, how long it runs for, what’s included and how you can make a referral.</p> <p>To book a place please click on the link below https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-reprovide-programme-in-wiltshire-swindon-ne-somerset-tickets-313667667437</p> <p>If you have any queries or have any questions about the event please contact Mike: mike@splitz.org</p>
<p>Alternative Learning Resources</p>	
<p>7 Minute Briefs and Practice Briefs</p> 	<p>It is the expectation of the safeguarding partnership that managers will present briefings to their staff on a regular basis. It will be important to make the topic relevant to your service. The briefings should not be mixed in with the ordinary day-to-day issues of the team, as this will diminish their impact. To access the directory please click here. New briefs recently updated to the SSP website include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ SSP practice brief - DASH risk identification checklist and MARAC - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership ➤ Practice Brief LCRY ➤ Analysis of Safeguarding Adults Reviews from April 2017 to March 2019 - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership
	<p>Pace have released an animation Towards Hope which has been made in partnership with parents affected by child exploitation. This is to challenge the blame and stigma associated with child exploitation. Watch the short clip (1.30 minutes) on YouTube click</p>

	here . Further information about Pace and access to resources for parents/carers click here .
SSP Policies and Procedures	
SSP Multi-Agency Standards for Children in Need	The standards and SSP chronology guidance are now available on the SSP website Multi-agency standards for children in need - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership
Local News and Updates	
<p>Child Safeguarding Practice Review: Long Term Sexual Abuse of Children in Care</p> 	<p>Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership (SVPP) has recently published a Child Safeguarding Practice Review. In 2021 a 16-year-old girl made a disclosure of long-term sexual abuse by her Foster Carer Father (FCF) over a 8-9 year period. This was a stable, long term placement and she, along with her two sisters, had been living with Foster Carer Mother and FCF for over 9 years. Her younger sister, who has learning difficulties, made a further disclosure that she had also been sexually abuse. FCF confessed to the abuse and has been jailed. Foster Carer Mother was not aware of the abuse and following police investigations the siblings remain with her.</p> <p>For further information on the learning from this review and to access the report, presentation slides and 7 minute brief go to the SVPP webpage. Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership (SVPP) - Learning from Case Reviews (wiltshirescb.org.uk).</p> <p>Reminder: SSP 7 minute brief: Child sexual abuse - Intra-familial sexual abuse, harmful sexual behaviour, peer-on-peer abuse and consent - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership.</p> <p>Other useful resources provided by Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse include: Signs & Indicators Template - CSA Centre Key Messages from research Key messages - CSA Centre NEW – 12 short films, which distils key information from the resources quickly and accessibly for professionals. The resources are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Signs and Indicators: A template for identifying and responding to concerns of child sexual abuse 2. Communicating with children: A guide for those working with children who have or may have been sexually abused 3. Supporting parents and carers: A guide for those working with families affected by child sexual abuse <p>NEW - guide designed to help professionals understand more about how child sexual abuse affects parents and their children. Supporting Parents and Carers Guide - CSA Centre</p>
<p>SWINDON HOARDING SUPPORT GROUP</p> <p>When: The 1st Tuesday of Every Month, 7- 9pm</p> <p>Where: Sanford House, Sanford Street, Swindon Wilts SN1 1HE</p>	<p>This free support group is open to anyone affected by hoarding, or anyone who knows someone with hoarding behaviour. Peer support is facilitated in a sensitive, safe space. Offers a non-judgmental, confidential service providing support/information and practical solutions.</p> <p>Future Dates: 3rd May 2022 7th June 2022 5th July 2022 2nd August 2022 6th September 2022 4th October 2022 1st November 2022 6th December 2022</p> <p>For Further Information contact: Live Well Swindon 01793 465513 or email: livewell@swindon.gov.uk</p>
Risk Outside The Home Update	A successful bid by Swindon Borough Council to the Department for Education has enabled us to develop some focused pieces of work to progress the local safeguarding response to risk outside the home (ROTH).

	<p>files/documents that assist in the corroboration of intelligence. This can include, screen shots, audio or video clips etc. The submitting professional will be able to confirm that they have some supportive files to share and we will be able to arrange for these to be sent to us at Wiltshire Police to be attached to their intelligence report during processing.</p> <p>The new form will provide Wiltshire Police with an analytical capability that we would love to share with Single Points of Contact (SPOC's) across the various service areas. We will be able to review how many reports we have had from partner agencies and share this with the SPOC's. If there are any opportunity areas, we will gladly support our partner agencies to increase information sharing and ultimately protect the public. Please contact Phil Day via email philip.day@wiltshire.police.uk if you wish to be a SPOC for your service area and we will gladly liaise with you on a quarterly basis to feedback on information sharing.</p>
National News and Updates	
<p>Addressing the Risks of Exploitation for Displaced Ukrainians in the UK Date: 5th May 2pm - 4pm</p> 	<p>This free online forum will provide an opportunity to discuss how to ensure the safety of Ukrainian refugees arriving in the UK.</p> <p>Issues to be explored include unaccompanied children arriving in the UK, possible gaps in checks and safeguarding responses for vulnerable adults and children and the potential for traffickers to capitalise on the opportunities that the scheme presents, particularly around self-matching on social media.</p> <p>To register for a place click here</p>
<p>Domestic Abuse Act 2021</p> <p>Children and Young People as Victims</p> 	<p>The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 became law in April 2022. Further information refer to Domestic Abuse Act 2021 (legislation.gov.uk)</p> <p>Children and Young People (CYP) as victims of domestic abuse (DA) Any reference in the Act to a victim of DA includes CYP (under 18) who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) sees or hears, or experiences the effects of, the abuse, and (b) is related to A or B. <p>A child is related to a person if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the person is a parent or has parental responsibility for, the child, or (b) the child and the persons are related. <p>There is a useful article on Community Care, which outlines what the new domestic abuse legislation means for social workers but will be useful for other professionals. What new domestic abuse legislation means for social workers - Community Care</p>
<p>#FriendsCanTell Resource for Young People SafeLives</p> 	<p>The #FriendsCanTell campaign will educate and empower young people to spot abuse in relationships and support their friends. Find out more. There is also a short video clip co-created with young people #FriendsCanTell - YouTube</p>
<p>Learning from LeDeR Reviews</p> 	<p>The learning from deaths of people with a learning disability (LeDeR) programme was set up as a service improvement programme to look at why people are dying and what we can do to change services locally and nationally to improve the health of people with a learning disability and reduce health inequalities. For more information about this view the LeDeR - About LeDeR webpage.</p> <p>Below is a link to a video that provides information and learning from the National LeDeR report. https://vimeo.com/430665513/9c96dc68c8 (clip lasts 29.30 minutes).</p>
<p>Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse</p>	<p>The Centre of expertise on CSA has collated the available official service data from child protection, police, health and criminal justice on the current scale and response to child sexual abuse in England and Wales. The report and infographics are available on their website.</p>

<p>Report: Child sexual abuse in 2020/21: Trends in Official Data</p> 	<p>This highlights ongoing trends, including the growing gap between what surveys show to be the prevalence of child sexual abuse, and what is being seen in service data as identified and recorded. A conservative estimate is that one in ten children and young people will experience some form of child sexual abuse before the age of 16. A figure substantially different to the far lower numbers seen in service data –across police, and local authority assessments. Data from Sexual Assault Referral Centre’s (SARC) also varies widely across the seven health regions, with London having the lowest and South-West the highest reach among under-18s.</p>
<p>Shaping Free download guides apps, games and websites</p> 	<p>Shaping are aiming to prevent digital harms across the UK, with public and private partnerships to forge safer digital environments for children, while creating easy and secure technology. Further information about them is available on their website. They have developed some various up-to-date digital guides which may be useful for practitioners - Guides: Apps, Games & Websites – Shaping Circle</p>
<p>Useful resources/ information processing information when working with adults with additional needs</p> 	<p>Below are some links for professionals, which provide useful further information and guidance when working with adults with additional needs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Cognitive communication difficulties - Cognitive communication difficulties Headway ✓ Distressed behaviour – a guide for all audiences. A guide for all audiences (autism.org.uk) ✓ Processing delays and the 17 second test - Autism Together ✓ This is an American resource so terminology may differ. Stages of Behavior Escalation for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs) and/or Developmental Disabilities - https://www.lehsd.org/cms/lib/NJ50000067/Centricity/Domain/1039/ASD%20eesc%20Handouts%202018.pdf ✓ De-escalation Strategies to use Before, During and After a Meltdown - https://suelarkey.com.au/de-escalation-strategies/
<p>Useful Resources and Information</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Personalisation in Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities. To access the report, webinar and podcast go to this webpage. Podcast - Personalisation in Black, Asian and minority ethnic communities - Resources - Think Local Act Personal ➤ NICE guideline on homelessness. Overview Integrated health and social care for people experiencing homelessness Guidance NICE Why evidence matters in ending homelessness (scie.org.uk) ➤ The State of Aging Summary Report. Summary report: The State of Ageing 2022 Centre for Ageing Better (ageing-better.org.uk) ➤ Sexual Incidents in Adult Social Care. Read the blog and access the report. Sexual Incidents in Adult Social Care (scie.org.uk)
<p>DWP Information</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DWP Jobcast- new Podcast for jobseekers- Tune into the first episode- https://thedwpjobscast.buzzsprout.com/ (April 11th). ▪ Job Entry Targeted Support (JETS)- for people who have been out of work for 13 weeks or more and in receipt of benefits to help get you back into work. Visit- https://www.seetecpluss.co.uk/programme/work-and-health-programme-jets/ ▪ Single Service Phone Line in Bereavement- From 11th April 2022, contact with DWP Bereavement Services is changing - access will be through a single phone number - 0800 151 2012 ▪ New Pension Campaign- DWP has launched a new campaign calling on pensioners, and their friends and family, to check eligibility for Pension Credit ▪ Free Courses for Jobs - expanded to help adults take a free level 3 qualification (equivalent to A levels) to help them access new job opportunities or increase their wages. Visit Free Courses for Jobs

- ❖ **Children’s media use-** Ofcom has released a report exploring how the media was understood by children aged 3-17 in the UK in 2021. Read the report- [Children and parents: media use and attitudes report 2022](#)
- ❖ **Adolescent mental health-** The Department of Education has released a report on the impact of Covid-19 pandemic on adolescent health in the UK. Read the report [The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on adolescent mental health](#) **NSPCC Learning-** [Child mental health](#)
- ❖ **Domestic Abuse-** The home office has produced a policy paper outlining its plan to prevent domestic abuse in England and Wales. Read the policy paper- [Tackling domestic abuse plan](#) **NSPCC Learning** [Protecting children from domestic abuse](#)
- ❖ **Gender Based Violence-** The Home Office has released new guidance for England and Wales to encourage a whole-system response to violence against women and girls (VAWG) Download the toolkit [Violence against women and girls national statement of expectations and commissioning toolkit](#)
- ❖ **Children’s wellbeing-** Action for Children has released a report on childhood wellbeing in the UK. Download the report [Brighter future ahead? \(PDF\)](#) **NSPCC Learning-** [Promoting mental health and wellbeing](#)
- ❖ **Youth Homelessness-** The charity Centrepoin has released a report on ending youth homelessness in the UK. Read the report [Ending Youth Homelessness Together Youth Homelessness in the UK 2022 – A short review \(PDF\)](#)
- ❖ **SEND Review-** The Department of Education has published a green paper outlining its proposed plans to provide better support for children/young people with special educational needs and disabilities. Read the paper [SEND Review: Right support, Right place, Right time \(PDF\)](#) **NSPCC Learning-** [Safeguarding children with special educational needs and disabilities \(SEND\)](#)
- ❖ **Child sexual abuse-** BBC Panorama has released a new episode that investigate why only one per cent of reported rapes in England and Wales result in a conviction. Watch the episode- [Beyond reasonable doubt: Britain’s rape crisis](#) **NSPCC Learning-** [Protecting children from sexual abuse](#)
- ❖ **Male Victims of abuse-** The Home Office has released a document on supporting male victims of crimes commonly associated with the violence against women and girls (VAWG) that supplements the plan to take domestic abuse. Read the paper- [Supporting male victims of crimes considered violence against women and girls](#)
- ❖ **Child Q-** The Education Secretary has ordered a review of guidelines and policies around strip searches of children in schools in England following the case of Child Q. Read the report [Local child safeguarding practice review - Child Q \(PDF\)](#)
- ❖ **Online safety and relationships-** CEOP has created a new website for children aged 11-18 that has information on online safety and relationships. Visit the website [The internet, relationships & you.](#) **NSPCC Learning-** [Social media and online safety](#)
- ❖ **Children’s missing school-** The Children’s Commissioner for England has published an interim report exploring how much local authorities know about children missing education in their area. Read the report- [Where are England’s children? Interim findings from the Children’s Commissioner’s attendance audit \(PDF\)](#)
- ❖ **Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE)-** The NSCC, along with Just for Kids Law and ten other charities has signed a joint letter to the Secretary of State for Education and schools. Highlighting the need for stronger safeguarding measures against CCE for vulnerable children who face school exclusion. Read the press release- [Coalition of children’s charities demand better protection against child criminal exploitation](#)
- ❖ **Supporting Families-** The Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities has published a report on the impact of the Supporting Families programme in England, alongside a research report from Kantar research about effective

practice. Visit the page [Supporting Families](#) Read the guidance: [Supporting Families Programme guidance 2022 to 2025](#)

- ❖ **Children's social care-** The department for Education has published guidance for local authorities in England on improving case management systems for children's social care services. Read the guidance [Improving case management systems for children's social care services](#)
- ❖ **Child Protection-** Cafcass, in partnership with the Ministry of Justice, has launched the trial of a new process to help separated families to agree arrangements for their children. Read the news story- [Cafcass trials new process for child arrangements](#)
- ❖ **Education, children's social care and offending-** The Department of Education and the Ministry of Justice have published the first in a programme to work to establish which evidence-based actions the government and partners could take to reduce the number of young people involved in serious violence and other offences. Read the report [An examination of the education and social care background of children cautioned or sentenced for an offence.](#)
- ❖ **Children with a parent in prison-** Children Heard and Seen has published a report looking at the challenges faced by children and young people with parents in prison for sexual offences. Read the report- [Invisible harms and hierarchies of shame: the distinct challenges faced by children with a parent in prison for sexual offences \(PDF\)](#)
- ❖ **Ofsted Inspections-** Ofsted has published a report on proposed changes to the way they carry out interim inspections of children's homes and the way they inspect residential holiday schemes for disabled children and young people. Read the report [Social care common inspection framework review: interim inspections of children's homes and residential holiday schemes for disabled children](#)
- ❖ **Infant Mental Health Conference-** The online conference, organised by the Institute of Health, takes place on 15 June 2022 as part of Infant Mental Health Awareness Week. Further Information [Infant Mental Health Conference 2022](#)
- ❖ **Looked after children-** Ofsted has published a report on why children enter residential care in England. Read the report [Why do children go into children's homes? NSPCC Learning- Looked after children](#)
- ❖ **Tackling sexual harassment in schools digital conference-** This conference, takes place on 5th May 2022 and is an online event. Find out more- [Westminster Insight](#)
- ❖ **Childline mental health campaign-** The NSPCC has launched a new Childline campaign 'We All Feel It', which supports young people, particularly males, struggling to reach out for mental health support. Find out more- [We all feel it](#)
- ❖ **Speak out Stay safe-** NSPCC Learning has updated the Speak out Stay safe programme for children with additional needs and disabilities. Find out more- [Speak out Stay safe SEND/ASN/ALN programme](#)
- ❖ **Ukraine Crisis-** the Department for Education (DfE) has published a blog providing guidance to teachers/families on how to talk to children/young people about Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Read ChildLine content [Worrying about Russia and Ukraine NSPCC Learning- How to have difficult conversations with children](#)
- ❖ **Criminal Exploitation-** The Independent Review of Children's Social Care in England has published a blog discussing harms outside the home. Read the blog [Children in care are being pulled in to do the dirty work on county lines NSPCC Learning Protecting children from county lines](#)