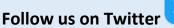




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SSP Training 2023-24

SSP/CSP Multi-Agency Training Offer 2023 -24 Update





Further information about the training offer/FAQ's

SSP Courses Charter

Guidance on navigating the training webpage

At the time of publishing we still have some places on the courses below:

- ✓ Swindon Domestic Abuse Forum: Link Swindon Domestic
 Abuse Forum Swindon Safeguarding Partnership
 9th June 2023 (virtual)
- ✓ Safeguarding and Self-neglect /hoarding (core module): Link Safeguarding and self-neglect/hoarding (core module) -Swindon Safeguarding Partnership 19th September 2023 (virtual)
- ✓ Adult Digital Safeguarding and creating safer cultures online.
 - Link <u>Digital safeguarding and creating safer cultures online</u> (adult) Swindon Safeguarding Partnership

 12th July 2023 (virtual)
- ✓ Adult Identifying Safeguarding Concerns and Making Referrals Link <u>Identifying safeguarding concerns and making</u> referrals (adults) - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership 3rd October 2023 (virtual)

Please do have a look at the SSP training <u>webpage</u> for other courses available.

Some **top tips** when booking:

✓ Please ensure you read the course outline and this <u>course is</u> relevant to your role.

Reminder if you book a place on SSP Training



✓ When booking a place check all of your details are correct prior to submitting. On occasion, some information can be auto-populated from previous entries.

There have been some recurring issues regarding receipt of joining instructions/access to training. Below is some key information, which is intended to improve your experience and to reduce frustrations and delays.

- ✓ **Calendar invites are NOT sent**. Please add the event to your calendar when booking.
- ✓ **Joining instructions**: These are sent via email from the safeguarding partnership email account approximately one two weeks before the course. If it is a virtual course this will include a link to join the training. If you don't appear to have received them **please ensure you check your junk/spam folder.**
 - A reminder is set on the email and should flag up 24 hours prior to the course date.
- ✓ Non-attendance on courses: If after booking you are unable to attend the training, please be courteous and cancel your booking as soon as possible or within ten 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.

Further information can be found on this webpage under the section top tips and troubleshooting issues - <u>Training programme</u> <u>information and frequently asked questions - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</u> and on the <u>SSP courses charter - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</u>

For other queries please contact the SSP Business Support Unit via email: safeguardingpartnership@swindon.gov.uk

Other Local Training/Alternative Learning Resources/Briefings

We want your views!

The Right Help @ The Right Time Threshold Guidance



It has been over 6 months since the updated Right Help at the Right Time Threshold Guidance was launched. As part of the implementation of the guidance we would your feedback and your experiences of using the guidance.

This will only take a couple of minutes to complete. To access click on this link: https://forms.office.com/e/ym8FnjKAdk
Please provide responses by Friday 9th June.

Please share with your colleagues. Your responses will help inform any future reviews and updates to the guidance.

Reminder!

The Right Help at The Right Time Threshold Guidance

There is a webpage with information, resources and a facility to ask a question not covered in the resources. To access the webpage please click on this link The Right Help at the Right Time - Swindon's Multi-Agency Threshold Guidance - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership

Resources



The recorded webinar The right help at the right time threshold guidance and front door services can now be accessed on our video archive webpage click on this link to access <u>Video archive - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</u>

Do you want to know more about the Prevent Duty and Channel Panel?

Day 1 webinar: relevant for all professionals working with children and adults who may become aware of signs of vulnerability to radicalisation.

Free Swindon and Wiltshire Prevent Online Webinar

Event overview: The event will introduce the process of radicalisation, how to recognise possible concerns and how to respond when these arise, how to effectively safeguard from radicalisation, how to access local support and insight into the Channel experience.

Day 1: Wednesday 4th October 2023

Time: 9.00am to 12.30pm

For further information and to book a place click on this link: <u>Swindon and Wiltshire Risk of Radicalisation event (all professionals) - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</u>

Day 2: Thursday 5th October 2023

Day 2 webinar: Any professional is welcome to attend. However the content of this event is focused on education professionals working in settings with young people, individually or in a group, who may become aware of signs of vulnerability to radicalisation.

Time: 9.00am to 12.30pm

This would also be relevant to professionals working within in early year's settings and childminders.

Event overview: The event will provide information on how to recognise possible concerns from radicalisation and how to respond to effectively to safeguard young people. It will also provide an understanding of Ofsted requirements in relation to Prevent, how to access local support and insight into the Channel experience.

For further information and to book a place please click on this link: Swindon and Wiltshire Risk of Radicalisation event (Educational professionals) - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership

The full agendas for both dates are yet to be finalised.

Please share with your colleagues.

If you have any questions regarding these events, please contact: swindonprevent@swindon.gov.uk

Amendment to Controlling or Coercive Behaviour Offence

On 5th April 2023, the law was amended regarding the controlling and coercive behaviour offence and removed the 'living together' requirement. New statutory guidance has been published and can be accessed via this link <u>Controlling or coercive behaviour: statutory guidance framework - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>.



The SSP 7 minute brief has been updated click on this link to access Coercive control - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership

An Introduction to Wiltshire Police Counter Corruption Unit (CCU)

Free online webinar
5th July 2023
0930-1030
and
7 Minute Brief



There is currently a national spotlight on policing around sexual misconduct and corruption which significantly impacts on trust in the police.

Professionals working with children, families and adults in Swindon will often be in a position to identify concerns of corruption and abusing positions of trust.

The webinar facilitated by Wiltshire Police Counter Corruption Unit (CCU) will be relevant to all professionals working across the safeguarding and community safety partnerships.

To find out more and to book a place please click on this link <u>An introduction to Wiltshire Police Counter Corruption Unit - Swindon</u>
Safeguarding Partnership

In addition a 7-minute brief has also been developed by Wiltshire Police Counter Corruption Unit (CCU) and provides some useful information and how to report concerns about police officers/staff.

To access the brief please click on this link <u>Counter Corruption Unit</u> <u>Wiltshire Police - 7 minute briefing May 2023 - Swindon Safeguarding</u> Partnership

Please disseminate widely within your organisation.

Parenting and Differentiating between Culture and Religion

Face to Face Training

Tuesday 11th July 2023 08:45 - 16:00 Tuesday 12th September 2023 08:45- 16:00 This training is being hosted by Swindon Borough Council Learning & Development Department – there are a small number of places available to professionals from across the partnership. The learning outcomes include:

- Increased awareness of how cultural issues impact on parenting and the implications for practice
- Greater understanding of the link between religious/cultural factors and conflict within families
- More self-awareness regarding issues relating to culture and the difference between religion and culture
- Development of skills and qualities to enhance practice

If you wish to find out more or to book a place please click on this link: Parenting and Differentiating between Culture and Religion

Any queries regarding this training please contact: <u>Learninganddevelopment@swindon.gov.uk</u>

Spotlight on Self-Neglect Newsletter



In addition to the <u>SSP Self-Neglect webpage</u> we have also produced a Spotlight on Self-Neglect and Hoarding Newsletter to access click on this link: <u>Spotlight on Self Neglect and Hoarding Newsletter - May 2023 - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</u>

Please circulate widely to your colleagues.

Serious and Organised Crime Recording

Have you watched it?

Wiltshire Police would like your feedback.



Serious and organised crime can happen anywhere and in all parts of society. There is a short video clip to find out more about on our Video Archive page click on this link to access <u>Video archive - Swindon Safeguarding Partnership</u>

You can still watch it - it is free to view!

Once you have watched it please complete this short survey – it will take about a minute to complete. Click on this link to access https://forms.office.com/e/6bUdd4a6ix

Learning Resources to Improve Practice

Reminder



Just a reminder that we have a wide range of resources available to support learning and professional development. This includes:

- √ 7 minute briefs and practice briefs to access the directory please <u>click here</u>.
- ✓ New this month: Counter Corruption Unit Wiltshire Police 7 minute briefing May 2023 Swindon Safeguarding Partnership
- ✓ Free eLearning from external providers to view the directoryclick on this link <u>Provided by external organisation - Swindon</u> <u>Safeguarding Partnership</u>
- ✓ Video archive click on this link to access <u>Video archive</u> Swindon Safeguarding Partnership
- ✓ New this month: The Right Help at The Right Time Threshold Guidance and Front Door Services <u>Video archive - Swindon</u> <u>Safeguarding Partnership</u>

SSP/CSP Policies and Procedures

No new documents to report this month.

Local News and Updates

Partners in Care and Health Updates

Digital Switchover Partner Toolkit: Local government has a critical role to play in the digital switchover to implement the solutions required to support residents and prevent impact on their day-to-day life. Devices that are lifelines for people, such as personal alarms and health monitoring systems, and traditional plug-in telephones, could be affected.

LGA is launching a toolkit for partners to raise awareness of the digital switchover for their residents and communities. If you would like the toolkit, please visit <u>our digital switchover hub.</u> Any questions please email <u>socialcaredigital@local.gov.uk</u>.

Transitional safeguarding resources: Our <u>Safeguarding resources</u> <u>page</u> now includes a new one-stop shop of <u>transitional safeguarding resource</u> aimed at practitioners looking to support young people to transition into adulthood and safeguard them from harm and exploitation. The page contains links to films and briefings from some of the leading thinkers in the field.

Integrated workforce thinking to put people at the centre of their care: PCH, with NHS Employers and Skills for Care, have published an infographic that shows the challenges an individual can face in health and care and how integrated workforce thinking can have a positive impact on their life. You can find Putting people at the centre of their care on our adult social workforce page.

LeDeR case study and briefing: Pilot project with several councils has developed a <u>Learning Disability Mortality Review (LeDeR) Managing Deterioration Programme: 'Good Health, Good Lives' for people with a learning disability</u>. To help social care provider staff identify the signs that someone with a learning disability is deteriorating, so that they are better equipped to get the person the care they need. You can also read our latest briefing about LeDeR

National News, Updates and Useful Resources



Key messages from Research have been updated and expanded <u>Key messages - CSA Centre</u>

You can also read about <u>child sexual abuse in institutional contexts</u> and <u>the impacts of child sexual abuse</u> today.

UK Safer Internet Centre Update

Professionals Online Safety Helpline annual report released: Click on this link to read <u>latest report</u> Findings/trends - 1/11/21 and 1/11/22. Professionals were contacting the Helpline to improve their understanding of online safeguarding issues, or clarifying whether there was a need to escalate their concerns further. For further information click on this link - <u>Professionals Online Safety Helpline</u> releases annual report - UK Safer Internet Centre

Most severe Category A online child sexual abuse doubles in two years, new IWF data shows: the number of webpages containing extreme Category A child sexual abuse material has more than doubled since 2020. To find out more click on this link - The most severe Category A online child sexual abuse doubles in two years, new IWF data shows - UK Safer Internet Centre

Help! My child wants to play games that are too old for them:

Parent and carers are worried about what their child may see, hear or experience in new games, especially if the age rating is older than their child currently is. This article shares practical tips for what to do if your child approaches you asking to play a new game. Read the blog here - Help! My child wants to play games that are too old for them. - UK Safer Internet Centre

Sextortion continues to be the most reported issue to the Revenge Porn Helpline: The Revenge Porn Helpline, have released their latest report revealing how the Helpline has been used to support those impacted by intimate image abuse throughout 2022. Read the report - Revenge Porn Helpline Releases 2022 Annual Report - UK Safer Internet Centre

Home Office Update

Changes to Reasonable Grounds test and National Referral Mechanism (NRM) form

As part of the implementation of the Nationality and Borders Act in January we changed the Reasonable Grounds (RG) test in Statutory Guidance so that it is based on objective factors.

Changes were going to be made to the National Referral Mechanism (NRM) referral form to align with the new RG requirements. **The referral form has now been changed.**

The changes to the form will help ensure the right information is gathered by First Responders when they encounter individuals that could be potential victims of modern slavery.

This information should make sure that referrals include more of the detail required for a positive RG decision and minimise the frequency with which the competent authorities need to request further information before deciding at that stage.

Further detail on the changes that have been made to the referral form can be found <u>here</u>.

An off-line prompt sheet for the relevant sections can be found <u>here</u>.

If there are questions and queries in relation to the NRM then please contact us via NRMReform@homeoffice.gov.uk

Social Care Institute for Excellence

Co-production Week 2023: In early July, National Co-production week will back to celebrate the benefits of co-production, share good practice and promote the contribution of people who use services and carers. The Webpage will be constantly updated as the week approaches - for further information- National Co-production Week | SCIE

Women's Pay day spotlight – Women is Social Care: Through the lens of gender equality, we can be understand and tackle the social and economic challenges facing the care workforce. SCIE's Helen Broad blogs about the gender pay gap that still exists for women working in paid roles, whilst also acknowledging the burden that falls on women who shoulder most unpaid care home and caring responsibility. Read the blog - Women's pay day spotlight: Women in social care (scie.org.uk)

Mankind Updates

Tougher sentences for those who kill male victims of domestic abuse: Latest ONS figures show 18 men in 2021/22 were killed by a partner or ex-partner. Mankind support the change in the law so a history of coercive or controlling behaviour against the victim or the use of excessive or gratuitous violence are made aggravating factors in sentencing decisions for murder.

Further information can be found here

Plans to protect children under new mediation reforms: The Government has announced a fund for mandatory mediation for separating couples. The proposals will see mediation become mandatory in all suitable low-level family court cases excluding those, which include allegations or a history of domestic violence. This will

and financial arrangements through a qualified mediator with court action being a last resort. The Government's Family Mediation Voucher Scheme will be extended until April 2025. The scheme provides separating couples with vouchers worth up to £500 to help them solve disputes through mediation. Full details of the changes are online here

Ann Craft Trust

Mental Health Awareness Week: Mental Health Awareness Week ran from Monday 15th – Sunday 21st May. This year's focus is on anxiety. Some useful information/resources can be found via this link - Mental Health Awareness Week 2023 | Mental Health Foundation

NSPCC Learning

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- Talk relationships online training: NSPCC Learning has launched new online training to support secondary school leaders with delivering sex and relationships education as part of its Talk Relationships service. Take the course - <u>Talk</u> <u>Relationships: delivering sex and relationships education</u> <u>training</u>
- Why language matters: NSPCC Learning has published a blog post on the term "domestic abuse" and "domestic violence" as part of the Why language matters blog series. Read the blog - Why language matters: domestic abuse is broader than domestic violence
- Children with disabilities and complex needs: NSPCC Learning
 has published a CASPAR briefing summarising findings from
 two reports published as part of the Child Safeguarding
 Practice Review Panel's national review into safeguarding
 children with disabilities and complex needs in residential
 settings in England. Read the briefing Safeguarding children
 with disabilities and complex health needs in residential
 settings: CASPAR briefing
- Children in care: Become, the charity for children in care and young care leavers, has published a report on data received from 138 freedom of information (FOI) requests to local authorities in England on the placements of children in care.
 Read the report Gone too far (PDF)
- Serious Youth Violence: Human rights organisation Liberty
 and eight other grassroots groups and campaigning
 organisations have published a report on policing and serious
 youth violence in the UK. Read the report Coalition calls for
 alternative solutions to serious youth violence
- Non Suicidal Self Injury in Adolescents: The Association for Child and Adolescent Mental Health (ACAMH) has published its latest podcast episode focusing on non-suicidal self-injury in adolescents. Listen to the podcast - The TEENS randomised feasibility trial: Internet based intervention for non-suicidal self-injury in adolescents
- School absences: The Guardian has published a news story on factors contributing to school absences in England. Read the

- **news story** Rise in school absences since Covid driven by anxiety and lack of support, say English councils
- Mental Health Awareness Week: NSPCC Learning has collated resources to help schools and organisations safeguard the mental health of children and young people. Visit the page -Mental health resources
- Child Sexual Abuse: The Centre of Expertise on Child Sexual
 Abuse (CSA Centre) has created a new guide to support child
 protection professionals working with families where a parent
 is under police investigation for accessing child sexual abuse
 material. Download the guide Managing risk and trauma
 after online sexual offending
- Suicide Ideation: The Association for Child and Adolescent
 Mental Health (ACAMH) has published a new podcast episode
 on suicide ideation. Listen to the podcast <u>Associated brain
 alterations and future suicide ideation in female adolescents
 and young adults with mood disorders</u>
- Training needs guidance: NSPCC's Child Protection in Sport
 Unit (CPSU) has published new guidance to support sports
 organisations with carrying out training needs analysis (TNA)
 to help inform safeguarding training plans. Read the guidance
 Training needs analysis guidance
- Maternal Mental Health: The Maternal Mental Health
 Alliance has published a report looking at specialist perinatal
 mental health community services across the UK. Read the
 report Mums in the UK missing out on specialist mental
 health support due to insecure funding
- Law Proceedings: The Children and Family Court Advisory
 Support Service (Cafcass) has created new practice quality
 standards for working with children and families in private law
 family court proceedings. Read the guidance Cafcass
 introduces practice quality standards for working with children
 and families through public and private law proceedings
- Safeguarding Referrals: NSPCC has published a news story on safeguarding referrals and schools. Read the news story -More than 90% of teachers say that safeguarding referrals have risen