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News from the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board

SAR Policy

The Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) policy has been updated and you can find the policy, along with the updated SAR referral form here on the NYSAB website.

The policy is much more user friendly and directive and includes updates in the following areas:

- The purpose of a SAR
- Engagement with individuals and families
- Consent with regards to SAR referrals which are in relation to individuals who are still alive

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One Minute Guide (OMG)

Information Sharing

Why is it information sharing important to safeguarding?

Information sharing is vital to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of adults.

A key factor identified in may **Safeguarding Adult Reviews (SARs)** has been a failure by practitioners to record

practitioners to record information, to share it, to understand its significance and then take appropriate action.



We ask that the **One Minute Guide to Information Sharing** is shared throughout your networks and organisations. You can find the **OMG here on our website**

WELCOME

I would like to welcome you to the July edition of the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Adults Board newsletter.

We share this with you having recently held the annual Safeguarding Week campaign – and what a campaign it was!

I would to take this opportunity to reflect on an event which shone the light on key safeguarding areas for adults boards, children's and community safety partnerships such as domestic abuse, online safety, self-neglect and many more.

The NYSAB hosted a Suicide Prevention workshop and recorded a Carers Panel to discuss Keeping Safe in Care and Support settings – more details on these in the newsletter.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the planning and delivery of the campaign. It may have been held virtually but through creative solutions it still felt very real and the level of engagement from both professionals and the public was simply brilliant.

Thank you to Pat Sowa for her powerful Suicide Prevention workshop, to everyone on the Carers Panel – thank you for sharing your stories and experiences with us. And finally thank you to everyone who promoted the key messages and supported the campaign.

Although Safeguarding Week 2021 ends – our collective responsibility in doing the utmost to prevent harm, abuse and neglect does not, so my ask is that you continue to raise awareness, report concerns and promote the message that safeguarding <u>is</u> everybody's business.

In ending I would like to give thanks again to those who continue to work tirelessly to keep individuals and our communities safe. Each one of you continues to make a massive difference.

Thank you!

Dr Sue Proctor Independent Chair, NYSAB



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Suicide Prevention Training

The **Talk Suicide** campaign has been created by the Humber. Coast and Vale Partnership to reduce stigma around suicide by raising awareness of free Suicide Prevention training available from the Zero Suicide Alliance.

Take the training, save a life.

It takes just 20 minutes to complete:

https://t.co/f73bdZs5C1?amp=1



Carry on Talking Podcast

Carry on Talking is a podcast by the KeyRing self-advocates. In this episode the Keeping Safe Champion, Sam Suttar, talks to Laura Watson from NYSAB about safequarding, how people can keep themselves safe and the important work they have done together.

Click here to listen



Safeguarding Week 2021

A virtual, online conference took place between Monday 21st and Friday 25th June to mark Safeguarding Week 2021. Partners from Safeguarding Adults Boards, Children's Safeguarding Partnerships, Community Safety Partnerships across North Yorkshire, the City of York and East Riding came together and developed an extensive programme of presentations, workshops and interactive sessions highlighting key areas in safeguarding which all underpinned this year's theme 'Safeguarding is everybody's business'

Recordings of the NYSAB presentations and workshops, as well as links to other recordings and recourses from the campaign can be found here on the NYSAB website.

We would like to thank everyone who supported the campaign and ask that you continue to support us to raise awareness

Suicide Prevention with Pat Sowa

The NYSAB hosted a Suicide **Prevention** workshop which was delivered by Pat Sowa who shared her experience and expertise in suicide prevention with the aim of inspiring the participants to think about what



they can personally do to prevent avoidable deaths.

Pat delivered a powerful, inspiring and brilliant workshop which, at its peak, had 160 attendees.

To watch the recording of the workshop, simply click the thumbnail above.

For the slides from the presentation, along with links to the training, resources and support available, please visit our website here.

Keeping Safe in Care and Support Settings

Chaired by Bev Proctor of the Independent Care Group (ICG), a panel made up of unpaid family carers, a registered manager, care home resident, two self-advocates and a safeguarding officer spoke about keeping safe in care and support settings, particularly during the pandemic when restrictions meant there were "fewer eyes to see harm". The panel spoke about their experiences, the support they received and effects on their mental health. They also shared stories, ideas and discussed the lessons they have learnt and the positives

they would like to take forward. To watch the recording click the thumbnail on the right.

For all of the resources and support mentioned throughout the recording,

please visit our website here.



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Total Advocacy

Independent Advocacy for North Yorkshire

Total Advocacy provide statutory and non-statutory advocacy services to people living in North Yorkshire, delivered by Cloverleaf Advocacy in partnership with Advocacy Alliance. Advocacy Support is available to adults on a range of eligible health and social care issues through the following advocacy services;

- Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA)
- Care Act Advocacy
- Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA)
- Deprivation of Liberty Relevant Persons Representative (DoLS RPR)
- Non-statutory advocacy

Advocates act as a safeguard for vulnerable people both with identifying possible safeguarding concerns, raising concerns, and providing support and representation throughout the safeguarding process.

Total Advocacy provide safeguarding support to eligible individuals through both statutory and non-statutory advocacy services.

There is a Duty Advocacy system.

Please call 01609 765 355 or visit

www.cloverleaf-advocacy.co.uk for
more information about the service,
advocacy eligibility or to make a
referral.





Strategic Priorities 2021 - 2023

At our Board meeting which took place on the 23rd June, we agreed the 4 strategic priorities as set out below for 2021 – 23. These priorities build on the work the Board was already undertaking however have been adapted in light of the pandemic.

These priorities are clear and are also flexible, and further opportunity will be given to review these, particularly in light of the learning from Covid-19, and they will be reviewed following the Board's development day later in the year.

The priorities will be published on our website shortly; along with further details and context.

1

Reconnect with communities in North Yorkshire to raise awareness and develop strategies to address and reduce risk of abuse

2

Ensure multi agency safeguarding policies and procedures are in line with best practice – now and in the future

3

Ensure a stronger partnership approach and accountability for the prevention of abuse

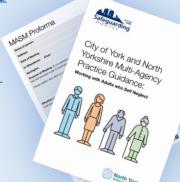
4

Ensure NYSAB is able to effectively adapt and respond to wider contextual changes affecting adult safeguarding

Self-Neglect Practice Guidance

Whilst we work to operationalise the **self neglect** procedures in **North Yorkshire** we're asking that you, your organisations and teams **familiarise yourselves with the practice guidance**, available on our website, in readiness for implementation https://safeguardingadults.co.uk/working-with-adults/nysab-procedures/self-neglect/

Also available is the Multi Agency Self-Neglect Meeting (MASM) pro forma, details of which can be found within the practice guidance—https://safeguardingadults.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/MASM-Proforma.pdf



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Calendar of Activity

The Calendar of Activity brings together the Joint Partnership Campaigns of the North Yorkshire Safequarding Children Partnership (NYSCP), the North **Yorkshire Community Safeguarding Partnership** (NYCSP) and the NYSAB as well as existing campaigns and awareness days which the Board and Partnerships will support.

We ask you to help us raise awareness by promoting the campaigns and sharing key messages.

You can find the calendar here on our website.





North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP)

North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership would like to encourage individuals to sign up to their monthly ebulletin via this link

Are you following NYSCP on their social media channels?



www.twitter.com/nyscp1



www.facebook.com/nyscp1

Keep up to date with all things Safeguarding Children by visiting www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk **NYSAB Engagement and Communication**

NYSAB Engagement – Complete our survey!

In 2021 we will be carrying our engagement and consultation across North Yorkshire. We will engage with lots of people such as:

Adults with care and support need

- Families, friends and carers;
- Advocates:
- People who work in care and support:
- Care home staff and residents;
- Local communities and;
- People who are hardest to reach

We hope by engaging with lots of people we can do a number of things:

- Update the information we share with people so they know how to keep themselves and others safe
- Continue to look at ways we can work together to co-produce accessible information for all
- Strengthen our engagement across North Yorkshire
- Make sure our engagement if meaningful
- Listen to what people want and act on it

As well as meeting with groups, teams and people via virtual platforms another way we are engaging and consulting is by asking people to complete a short survey.

The answers from this survey will help us understand what are the best ways to communicate with, engage with and listen to people about safeguarding across North Yorkshire.

You can complete our online SNAP survey here

Or

You can download a copy of our accessible survey from our website here

The closing date for this survey is Friday 27th August





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Keeping Safe Guides

The Safeguarding Adults Board worked with the North Yorkshire Learning Disability Partnership Board and Inclusion North to write some easy read books about 'Keeping Safe' which you can find on our website by clicking

A Keeping Safe activity pack for use with the guides is also available

You can access the activities on our website by clicking here

The audio versions of the guides are now available too and they can be found here

Worried about someone or need help?

Abuse is always wrong. No one should have to face abuse. By reporting it you can bring it to an end. If you or the person you are concerned about is in danger and immediate action is required, you should ring the emergency services on 999.

If you or the person you are concerned about are not in immediate danger, you should ring our customer services centre on 01609 780 780. This includes out of office hours.

The Minicom number is 01609 779 838

Get in touch

If there is anything you would like to see in future editions of the newsletter or you simply want to get in touch or to keep up to date with the work of the NYSAB you can contact us using the methods below



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