

Safeguarding Priorities

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Key messages	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This paper and associated presentation provide an update against the presentation and discussion with NHS Sheffield Board in September 2012</li> <li>• The paper details the current drivers for the safeguarding agendas</li> <li>• Priorities for the two local safeguarding boards (adults and children) and SCCG are detailed</li> </ul>	
Assurance Framework (AF)	
<p><b>Risk Reference Number:</b> 901</p> <p><b>AF reference</b> 2.1.1a,b,c,d</p>	
Equality/Diversity Impact	
<p><b>Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken?</b> No</p>	
Public and Patient Engagement	
<p>Nil</p>	
Recommendations	
<p>The Governing Body is requested to note the report and associated presentation</p>	

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#### **1. Introduction and Context**

This paper and associated presentation provide an update against the presentation and discussion with NHS Sheffield CCG Committee in September 2012.

The context of the paper and presentation are:

- The Francis Report
- Safeguarding Vulnerable People in the Reformed NHS Accountability and Assurance Framework
- Safeguarding Adults: An Aide Memoire for Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Working Together to Safeguard Children- A guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

Detail on each of the above papers is provided in the accompanying Governing Body paper: 'Briefing re New National Guidance on Safeguarding Adults and Children'

The purpose of this paper and presentation are to inform the CCG Governing Body of the emerging priorities for safeguarding adults and children for SCCG for the coming year.

#### **2. SCCG Safeguarding Priorities 2013/14**

- 2.1 NHS England has published 'Safeguarding Vulnerable People in the Reformed NHS Accountability and Assurance Framework'. The document details responsibilities for CCGs, including how they must ensure they commission safe services for those in vulnerable situations and engage in effective interagency working.
- 2.2 The former Strategic Health Authority (SHA) safeguarding leads commissioned a document for sharing with CCGs called 'Safeguarding Adults: An Aide Memoire for Clinical Commissioning Groups'. Whilst the document is specifically related to adults it is transferable to the children's safeguarding agenda and it should be considered by the CCG in developing its own safeguarding strategies.
- 2.3 The Department of Education has published its revised version of Working Together to Safeguard Children – A guide to interagency working to promote and safeguard the welfare of children. The document gives brief details on responsibilities for CCGs.
- 2.4 To support on-going activity by SCCG following the Francis report, though there were no specific recommendations for safeguarding adults and children's boards, however, Sheffield Adult Safeguarding Partnership (SASP) and

Sheffield Safeguarding Children Board (SSCB) will expect SCCG to be alert to any specific recommendations of a safeguarding nature.

Additionally, it is anticipated that there may be requests for safeguarding cases to be independently reviewed and SCCG should support these.

2.5 As above, SCCG to be responsive to the Winterbourne View case and review.

2.6 SSCB and SASP Priorities

SSCB – Child Sexual Exploitation – further develop the service including links to MCA transitions work

SASP – Review governance arrangements

2.7 Learning from cases (adults and children Serious Case Reviews (SCRs) and Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs)), to include ensuring GP members fully engage in safeguarding processes. The reviews have demonstrated the crucial role that GPs have in individual cases and the wider dissemination of learning.

Protected Learning Initiatives (PLIs) will be held in July 2013 (adults) and December 2013 (children) will support this. These events will be supported by both safeguarding boards.

2.8 NHS England Area Team are currently working with SASP and SSCB re their representation on both safeguarding boards. A paper is to be presented to both safeguarding boards with proposals.

2.9 SCCG needs to ensure its safeguarding strategies reflect the requirements of the following documents:

- Safeguarding Vulnerable People in the Reformed NHS Accountability and Assurance Framework
- Safeguarding Adults: An Aide Memoire for Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Working Together to Safeguard Children- A guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

Additionally, it should include the contribution of the NHS England area team as it in future commissions primary care, health visiting and specialist services.

### **3. Recommendations**

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