

Safeguarding Activity Report Quarter 4

Item 13f

Governing Body meeting

3 April 2014

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| Key messages | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The report provides a summary of the joint work between the Safeguarding Adults and Children's teams within the CCG and also work being undertaken with NHS England. Details of other safeguarding activity currently undertaken by the two safeguarding teams. | |
| Assurance Framework (AF) | |
| <p>Assurance Framework Number: 2.1</p> <p>How does this paper provide assurance to the Governing Body that the risk is being addressed? The paper provides detail on activity to mitigate the risk of 'Providers delivering poor quality care and not meeting quality targets'</p> <p>Is this an existing or additional control: Existing</p> | |
| Equality/Diversity Impact | |
| <p>Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken? NO</p> <p>Which of the 9 Protected Characteristics does it have an impact on? None</p> | |
| Public and Patient Engagement | |
| Please list PPE activity: None | |
| Recommendations | |
| The Governing Body is asked to endorse the above report and note the progress made against action plans. | |

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1. Introduction

This paper provides an updated position on the current safeguarding activity within SCCG which is monitored via the SCCG's Commissioning Safeguarding Children's Group (CSCG) & Commissioning Safeguarding Adults Group (CSAG). These groups have the remit to monitor all aspects of safeguarding children and adult's activity, and on-going activity against the organisations Serious Case Review (SCR) action plans.

Joint Safeguarding Adults and Children activity

2. Section 11 Assurance

Section 11 of the Children Act (2004) places duties on a range of organisations and individuals to ensure that their functions – and any services that they contract out to others – are discharged having regard to the need to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

An annual audit is undertaken with partners to review their compliance with the Section 11 standards. In 2013 both the Safeguarding Boards (Adults: Sheffield Adult Safeguarding Partnership (SASP), Children: Sheffield Safeguarding Children Board (SSCB)) joined together to undertake a joint children and adults audit with partners, including SCCG.

On 19 March a Section 11 Evidence Day was held where all partners attended to provide further evidence to support the declarations they had previously submitted. SCCG awaits the feedback from this event.

3. NHS England (NHS E) Area Team Safeguarding Forum

Activity being undertaken includes:

3.1 Safeguarding Adults and Children Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

The first quarter of data for the pilot of the children's KPIs has been submitted from the Provider Trusts and refinement of the KPI's will take place following submission of the 2nd quarterly data.

Providers are reviewing the Adult KPIs to ascertain how to provide the data.

Within SCCG the quality schedules that have been drafted for 2014/15, for inclusion in contracts, refer to providers adhering to the developing KPIs.

3.2 Mapping the roles and responsibilities of Designated professionals and nurses within CCGs, including those for Looked After Children

A benchmarking exercise has been completed across South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw, and in respect of children's Designated Nurses, across Yorkshire and Humber. The Area Team Safeguarding Forum is now considering how this work should be progressed.

3.3 Level 4 Safeguarding Children Training

Following the success of the Level 4 training day, the South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Designated Nurses have been asked to consider delivering it at a national event.

3.4 CQC Safeguarding and Looked after Children Reviews

The Designated Nurses are continuing to work together and with Provider Trusts in preparation for the CQC Safeguarding and Looked after Children Reviews.

3.5 Safeguarding and Serious Incidents

The South Yorkshire and Bassetlaw Designated Professionals for Adults are looking at the interface between the safeguarding and serious incident processes to ensure cases are managed in an appropriate way.

4. **Governing Body Development Event**

The Safeguarding Adults and Children's team are developing training for Governing Body members and portfolio leads on their safeguarding responsibilities as commissioners.

Safeguarding Adults

5. **Summary of Sheffield Adult's Cases**

SCCG has had involvement either as a corporate body or previous contractor of General Practice and action plans remain on-going in 2 open cases. All cases are being closely monitored and the CCG has received regular assurance from providers through 1:1 meetings and attendance at Trust safeguarding meetings that their action plan status and progress of implementation of recommendations is on target.

6. **GPs and Safeguarding Adults**

Training has been provided for Safeguarding Adult Lead GPs on the Mental Capacity Act, Vulnerable Adults Risk Management Model and Domestic Abuse.

7. **Mental Capacity Act (MCA) and Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS)**

A recent House of Lords review into the above has now reported. The CCG is considering the evidence, along with NHS England, in respect of further action required.

Safeguarding Children

8. Summary of Sheffield Children's Cases

SCCG has had involvement either as a corporate body or previous contractor of General Practice and action plans are on-going or are pending in 5 open cases, 3 of which were following requests for contributions to reviews that are taking place out of area. All cases are being closely monitored and the CCG has received regular assurance from providers through 1:1 meetings, supervision and attendance at Trust safeguarding meetings that their action plan status and progress of implementation of recommendations is on target. One case has been completed since the last report and one new one has been agreed.

9. Provider Assurance

All of the 3 provider Trusts have submitted their annual declaration to support assurance that they have met their statutory requirements in relation to safeguarding children. A new minimum standards assurance tool has been developed to replace the annual declaration which will be introduced in 2014/15.

10. Sheffield's Ofsted Inspection of Safeguarding and Looked after Children

Sheffield Local Authority OFSTED report was published at the end of February. The recommendation was that the LA requires improvement and the areas of concern were in relation to looked after children and adoption services. The Safeguarding Board was graded as being good.

11. GPs and Safeguarding Children

Progress has been made to improve the quality of information in Child Protection conference reports and GP's are now requested to only use the electronic template wherever possible. Practice based training continues to be delivered and a training session for Lead GP's is planned for 19th June. There is national discussion around gaining assurance from GP practices and SCCG, while awaiting further direction from the Area Team, is considering piloting an assurance tool.

12. Designated Doctor

Dr Anna Ramsbottom commenced in post in February.

Domestic Homicide Reviews

13. Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs)

SCCG has had involvement either as a corporate body or previous contractor of General Practice and action plans remain on-going or are pending in 8 open cases. All cases are being closely monitored and the CCG has received regular assurance from providers through 1:1 meetings and attendance at Trust safeguarding meetings that their action plan status and progress of implementation of recommendations is on target.

Action plans from all DHRs are also monitored by the Sheffield Safer and Sustainable Communities Partnership.

14. Domestic Abuse NICE guidance

SCCG contributed to the development of this guidance last year. Now published we will:

- remind GPs of the guidance and encourage them all to implement it within their practices. This will be undertaken through Lead GPs for Safeguarding Adults and Children, Protected Learning Initiative (PLI) training events, communication/updates with practices
- work with health providers to ensure the guidance is implemented via quarterly routine monitoring processes

15. Recommendations

SCCG is requested to endorse the above report.

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