

## **P&C COVID-19 EMERGENCY PLANNING HIGHLIGHT REPORT**

<b>SERVICE AREA:</b>	Safeguarding Partnership Boards
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### **KEY ACTIVITY HEADLINES**

We have continued to develop our dedicated Covid 19 and safeguarding web page on our website. As new information/ guidance has come out we have ensured that the page is updated to reflect this. The page continues to contain lots of information and resources for professionals and the public on safeguarding issues including, scamming, online safety, DA, MH, Talking to children about Covid 19.

The Covid 19 web page continues to be accessed by a number of people , it has been available since 31<sup>st</sup> March, as of 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 we have received 14,757 visits (this is an increase of 1,556 in 13 days).

We have continued with our social media campaign around safeguarding and Covid messages. We are continuing to have a reach of nearly 30,000 on Twitter and 22,000 on Facebook. The social media campaign will continue over the coming weeks.

The Safeguarding Partnership Board continues to participate in both the local and countywide Covid 19 communications meetings. This is ensuring a consistency of messages and a joined up approach.

As previously reported all multi agency safeguarding training has stopped as it is direct delivery and we have been exploring ways that we can deliver the training virtually via the website. We now have 4 courses available via our website,

Safeguarding for volunteers

Adults safeguarding

Online abuse and adult safeguarding

Online abuse and children's safeguarding

In total over 650 people have accessed these courses.

All of the above courses are freely available to access on our website. We are currently working on two more courses, one on children's safeguarding and another on Domestic abuse.

We have granted permission for the virtual training and Covid resources that we have produced to be utilised by other Safeguarding Partnerships across the Eastern Region.

A multi agency Interim/ recovery CCE delivery plan that addresses the evolving risks emerging in CCE has been signed off at a strategic partnership meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> April. Work has now commenced on actions arising from the plan. Work has been undertaken with the healthy schools programme to help focus the messages/ resources that will be available to parents / young people through the health schools website. The current emphasis is on allaying fears for returning to school but there will also be a focus on messages around Exploitation. The Healthy Schools website is a platform that parents and carers are used to visiting so this approach will help to reinforce a consistent message.

### **RISKS / CHALLENGES (AND MITIGATION)**

No current risks or challenges

### **WORKFORCE UPDATE**

All members of staff are in work and the service is stable and morale remains high

FINANCIAL IMPACT (increase in costs / reduction in income)
none
RECOVERY ACTIVITY (plans being considered / future steps)
we are currently looking at how we can to reduce meetings when things get back to normal and make use of virtual meetings where possible
COMMUNICATIONS
We are sending out numerous daily communications to partners and via social media around safeguarding issues