

P&C COVID-19 EMERGENCY PLANNING HIGHLIGHT REPORT

SERVICE AREA:	Safeguarding Boards
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KEY ACTIVITY HEADLINES

We have developed a dedicated Covid 19 and safeguarding web page on our website. The page contains 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.

We have also put together a bespoke safeguarding training package, leaflets and posters for community volunteers. This information has been shared with DC and voluntary organisations. The information is available on our website (Covid page) to download. The webpage has been available since 31st March and as of 8/4 we have received 2,978 visits to the page.

We have commenced a social media campaign around safeguarding and Covid messages. As of 8/4 we have reached 6,740 people on Twitter and 3,065 on Facebook. The social media campaign will continue over the coming weeks.

In terms of general “BAU” safeguarding work the business unit is undertaking the following:-

We have commenced a review of our website. We are currently benchmarking the content and layout against 28 others areas and once this is completed we will make any necessary changes.

We are writing 4 multi- agency reviews (2 adults and 2 children’s). These are cases that have not met the criteria for a statutory review but partners think that learning can be identified. We are also progressing all of the statutory reviews in both adults and children’s.

We have started to develop 7 minute briefings on a range of safeguarding issues, learning from QA activity and case reviews.

We are continuing to validate single agency safeguarding training, 4 courses have been validated in the last 2 weeks.

The Children’s S11 audit (audit of statutory partners safeguarding responsibilities) is being collated. This includes analysis of the audit tools and practitioner survey results.

All multi agency safeguarding training has stopped as it is direct delivery. We are currently exploring ways that we can deliver the training virtually via the website. The first course will be on Covid 19 and online safety. We are currently experiencing some technological issues but we are hoping will go live next week.

Mapping of CCE continues to take place in Wisbech and one in Cambs City will commence shortly. The CCE lead in the business unit is working closely with DC and CSP’s to ensure that they are kept up to date with the latest information around how CCE is evolving as a result of social distancing.

RISKS / CHALLENGES (AND MITIGATION)

We are having some technological issues arising from half of the service being on a Cambs system and half on Peterborough but we are working with ICT to resolve this

WORKFORCE UPDATE
I have one member of the Service off sick as a result of Covid 19. They came out of hospital last week but have been signed off sick for a further 2 weeks.
FINANCIAL IMPACT (increase in costs / reduction in income)
none
RECOVERY ACTIVITY (plans being considered / future steps)
We are currently looking at whether we will be able 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