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September 2019

ERSAB NEWSLETTER

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION FOR PROFESSIONALS AND VOLUNTEERS

Welcome to the **East Riding Safeguarding Adults Board (ERSAB) Newsletter**. This newsletter focuses on providing information to safeguarding professionals and volunteers about the work of the Safeguarding Adults Board in the East Riding. Links to national topics will also be included when relevant.

National Safeguarding Adults Week: 18 Nov – 24th Nov 2019

**National
Safeguarding
Adults Week 2019**
18th to 24th November 2019

ann craft trust
acting against abuse

Last year Safeguarding Adults Week ran successfully for the first time and aimed to create a time when we could all focus on safeguarding adults. Throughout the week, national and regional safeguarding organisations put on a range of activities to help spread awareness of this vital issue.

For 2019 Safeguarding Adults week, the Safeguarding Adults Board intend to be visible in various locations. Themes include Modern Slavery; Self Neglect; Domestic Abuse; Transforming Care; Sport & Activity. The week aims to raise awareness of the different forms of abuse and the part that everyone can play in helping to spot abuse. Often those suffering abuse or neglect do not realise or want to admit that they are a victim and so it is crucial that the awareness of these issues is raised so that people can be safeguarded appropriately.

The week provides a great opportunity to display the work that is being done to safeguard the people in the East Riding and to promote awareness with an event or activity within your organisation, and we encourage you to take part by, for example:

- Hosting a coffee morning or an open day to promote safeguarding adults
- Reviewing and sharing the safeguarding adults policy with staff
- Setting up a display and handing out leaflets
- Creating articles on social media that can be shared widely

East Riding Safeguarding Adults Board is supporting the National Safeguarding Adults week 2019 and we would like to encourage organisations, however big or small, to get involved. More information will be available leading up to the week through the ERSAB.

Find out how you can get involved at www.anncrafttrust.org/events or [#SafeguardingAdultsWeek](https://twitter.com/SafeguardingAdultsWeek) or email: catherine.law@eastriding.gov.uk Tel: (01482) 392091

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PREVENT - Individuals who are vulnerable to Radicalisation

Changes to the referral process regarding concerns about individuals who are vulnerable to Radicalisation (Prevent)

The process for referring individuals to the Channel process is changing. Where professionals have a concern about an individual who they fear is at risk of radicalisation or committing terrorist acts they will now be required to complete a referral form, found at the following link,

<https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/living/crime-and-community-safety/preventing-terrorism/>

The completed form then needs to be sent to the following e-mail boxes, which are checked daily

prevent@eastriding.gov.uk or prevent@humberside.pnn.police.uk

Counter-terrorism simply means promoting and delivering activities that are designed to prevent or stop terrorism.

Intelligence suggests that the UK is currently 'highly likely' to be subject to a terrorist attack. This is not necessarily from foreign nationals, but also from individuals born and bred in the UK.

The threat of the use of violence for extremism can be from a range of sources, including extreme political, religious and 'rights' groups.

The council works with Humberside Police, NHS East Riding and other partners, as well as with local communities, to try and reduce the risks presented by those within our communities who might engage in an act of extreme violence, endangering every resident of the East Riding as well as themselves.

Contextual Safeguarding

Contextual Safeguarding simply means assessments of children and vulnerable adults should consider whether wider environmental factors are present in a child's or adults life that are a threat to their safety and/or welfare.

Criminal exploitation of children, young people and vulnerable adults is a geographically widespread form of harm that is a typical feature of county lines criminal activity: drug networks or gangs groom and exploit children, young people and vulnerable adults to carry drugs and money from urban areas to suburban and rural areas, market and seaside towns. Key to identifying potential involvement in county lines are missing episodes, when the victim may have been trafficked for the purpose of transporting drugs. For more information please see poster on page 3.

Are you concerned about an adult at risk of harm?

Visit www.ersab.org.uk to access the latest version of the

ERSAB multi-agency adult at risk concern form

Call (01482) 396940

Email: safeguardingadultsteam@eastriding.gov.uk



Children are being exploited by gangs involved in drug crime. Know the signs to spot.

County lines gangs use children and vulnerable people to courier drugs and money. A young person who is involved in county lines activity might exhibit some of these signs:



Persistently going missing from school or home, or being found out-of-area



Unexplained acquisition of money, clothes or mobile phones



excessive receipt of texts or phone calls



Relationships with controlling, older individuals or gang association



Leaving home or care without explanation



Suspicion of self-harm, physical assault or unexplained injuries



Parental concerns



Significant decline in school performance



Significant changes in emotional well-being

If you have concerns, follow your safeguarding procedures and share your concerns with local authority social care services.



Home Office

Working in partnership with

CrimeStoppers.

East Riding Safeguarding Adults Board

Dates of forthcoming Board & sub group meetings

Business Implementation Group

11 September 2019

Learning and Improvement Group

17 September 2019

Safeguarding Adults Review Group

25 September 2019

Audit & Assurance

9 October 2019

Safeguarding Adults Board

23 October 2019



The **Safeguarding Adults Board** meet on a quarterly basis to gain assurance from partner agencies that local safeguarding issues are addressed in an effective and proportionate manner. The Board is supported by a number of sub- groups.

The work of the SAB and its sub-groups is facilitated by a small support team and can be contacted on 01482 392092 or sab@eastriding.gov.uk.

A quarterly Board meeting was held on 10 July 2019.

The agenda included:

- Care Home activity insight report which looked reflectively at Adult Social Care safeguarding arrangements within care homes given the high and increasing number of referrals in recent years. The report identified current data, themes and issues. As well as looking at current support to providers when there are safeguarding and quality concerns, the report acknowledged the challenges and made some recommendations for improvements.
- A presentation by Humberside Police providing an insight into the issue of financial abuse, looking at the statistics locally and how fraud is dealt with including work of the Humber Fraud Forum
- The Service Manager for the Community Voluntary Sector Adult Safeguarding Project which forms part of the Humber Foundation Teaching NHS Trust social prescribing project provided progress on the project
The East Riding Safeguarding Children's Partnership (ERSCP) Manager presented information around Hidden harm. This emphasised where collaboration is required by the ERSAB and the ERSCP

www.ersab.org.uk

Have you seen the new ERSAB website?

The East Riding Safeguarding Adults Board website has a new home page which is designed to be easier to use and takes you to the corresponding pages which are full of useful information regarding Safeguarding Adults. This is the start of the website update with more to follow in the near future. The website has been designed with everyone in mind and I hope you will find the content informative, thought-provoking and of practical use.

Please visit <http://ersab.eastriding.gov.uk>

Care Sector Forum

24th September 2019

10am to 3.30pm
(registration 9.30am)
Willerby manor Hotel

For further details please complete booking form on the social care network.

Would you like to submit an article or be added to the mailing list?

Please email:



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Tel: (01482) 392091

The next issue of the ERSAB Newsletter will be available in **October 2019**

If you would like to know more about the work of ERSAB or would like to be involved in any of the work you read about, please don't hesitate to get in touch or visit www.ersab.org.uk



HUMBERSIDE
Fire & Rescue Service



Emollient Creams Information

Important advice to stay safe when using moisturising treatments

Humberside Fire & Rescue service have revised emollient cream information aide and are urging providers to stop using the paraffin based information aide with immediate effect and replace it with the new information. Our paraffin based

creams information aide has been revised to refer to all types of **emollient creams**

In line with regional fire investigation recommendations and direction from the National Fire Chiefs Council (NFCC).

Scientists tested a variety of emollients, some of which are commonly used for treating skin conditions such as eczema and psoriasis. Their initial work focused on creams, lotions and ointments with a paraffin base, but their recent laboratory research has indicated that the presence of paraffin-free emollient increases the flammability of fabrics. Non-contaminated fabrics took an average of 65 seconds to ignite, while those containing emollient residue, from both paraffin and paraffin-free creams, caught fire in less than 20 seconds.

Emollient skin products

- Emollient skin products are widely prescribed and dispensed for various skin conditions such as psoriasis and eczema.
- They are **safe to use** but can soak into clothing, dressings and bedding leaving a flammable residue.
- If exposed to a naked flame or a heat source, such as a cigarette, lighter, gas cooker, heater or fire, these saturated fabrics can catch fire; the residue will help the fire develop and spread rapidly which could result in serious injury or death.

Publicly facing and care sector information on emollient skins creams are available on our website and can be found

<http://www.humbersidefire.gov.uk>

or calling 0300 303 8242

National and Local Safeguarding Adults News

State of Caring Survey 2019

The State of Caring Survey is the UK's most comprehensive research into the lives and experience of carers. This year over 7,500 current carers shared their experiences and helped inform our *State of Caring 2019* report. Key findings include:

- almost 2 in 5 (39%) carers saying that they are struggling to make ends meet
- over half of carers who are receiving Carer's Allowance (53%) are struggling to make ends meet
- shockingly, over two thirds of carers (68%) regularly use their own income or savings to pay for care or support services, equipment or products for the person they care for
- 1 in 8 carers (12%) reported that they or those they support received less care or support services during the previous year due to a reduction in the amount of support from social services
- 53% of carers said that they are not able to save for their retirement
- almost two thirds of carers (64%) say that they have focussed on the care needs of the person they care for, and not on their own needs.

Read more in the full report here: carersuk.org/stateofcaring-report

The SCIE SAR Library

The ERSAB website provides a link to the recently launched Safeguarding Adults Review (SAR) library. The library contains almost 100 published SARs from around the country and professionals can use them to look at themes, recommendations, learning etc. Please be aware that some agencies IT support services may have to provide access as the content of the library is subject to access regulations and it may therefore be blocked on some computers.

To gain direct access to the website visit www.scie.org.uk/safeguarding/adults/reviews/library

Please visit www.ersab.org.uk to access all relevant information concerned with the safeguarding of adults at risk of harm.

The website provides detailed information on adult safeguarding including the procedure to follow when making a referral, as well as updates and useful information on local and national issues.