

Safeguarding Adults

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Successful Board Learning event November 2018

On 26 November 2018, over 40 representatives from the Richmond and Wandsworth Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) attended the first SAB learning event. The focus on the event was on sharing learning from SARS. Two seven-minute learnings were discussed and everyone agreed these were a helpful method to share learning from SARS, in an accessible way, with front line staff. Links to the 7-minute learning on Mrs. K can be found [here](#). There was animated discussion on using live case reviews as a way for the board to act proactively to prevent abuse and neglect and to test changes within the system. Board members were able to meet the new independent chair who shared his vision for taking the Board forward, emphasising his commitment to making all board events meaningful for all partners and to finding new ways to share information, learning, updates and get real engagement in the work of the board. There was also a showcase of the work being undertaken on scams in partnership with the Metropolitan Police, the excellent Mental Capacity Act video produced by HRCH, the SAB annual report and information on how to register for e-learning using TPD online. Everyone said it had been a very informative and useful SAB meeting.

Update from the SAB Executive

The executive welcomed Detective Superintendent Owain Richards who is now the head of the South West BCU police safeguarding strand. Responsibility for chairing the executive will rotate to Fergus Keegan from December 2018.

Two Executive meetings have been held since the last newsletter. The focus was on planning the learning event for November, considering reports from the subgroups and planning a partnership meeting for January 2019. The aim of the partnership meeting is to consider how the Board can more closely align with the work of other partnership boards such as the children's boards, the health and well-being boards and the community safety partnerships. The next board meeting will be in April 2018 when the focus will be on reviewing achievements and setting priorities for the next year. The Board's vision and priorities can be found [here](#).

Communication and Engagement sub group

The communication and engagement subgroup has recently agreed its terms of reference. They can be found [here](#). The subgroup has agreed its initial focus will be on:

- Prevention of financial abuse / scams awareness
- Identifying and managing self-neglect and hoarding
- Residents participation and engagement

The Richmond Forum has been very active in disseminating information about Scams including financial Scams (see [here](#)) and a more recent scan about buying certain medications. The video has been shown at GP practices to help people protect themselves. Members of the community forum raised awareness on adult safeguarding at 2 neighbourhood volunteer meetings and at the Richmond Full of Life on 26 October 2018. The Full of Life Fair was well attended with considerable interest in the work of the SAB.

The first meeting of the Wandsworth Forum is planned for 16 January 2019. If you are keen to get involved with this group please contact the SAB so you can be sent details of the meeting

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Performance and workforce sub group

The performance and workforce sub group held its first meeting on 21 November 2018. The group has agreed its terms of reference (see here [here](#)) and agreed a Quality Assurance Framework for the SAB ([here](#)). They are developing a performance dashboard to help share multiagency performance. This group will be taking forward the annual SAB self-assessment audit in December. The document provided by the London SAB will be circulated to partners in December and returned by February 2018. The challenge event will be held in March 2019 in a group rather than individual format. Details of available e-learning can be found on the website (see [here](#))

SAR sub group

The SAR subgroup has met regularly to monitor and progress the learning from completed SARS as well as reviewing all SAR referrals and commissioning new SARS on behalf of the SAB. Referrals of cases which might meet the criteria for a SAR can be made to the SAB using the referral form on the SAB website (see [here](#)).

SAB Calendar Dates:



Participation and Feedback

We would really like partners to be involved in the newsletter by submitting short articles highlighting your or colleague’s achievements or publicising planned events. We would also like feedback and suggestions on how we can make sure the newsletter is relevant and helpful. Please participate by emailing us at sab@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk with the subject line SAB Newsletter.

