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The Richmond and Wandsworth Safeguarding Adults Board would like to invite you to a masterclass on Substance Misuse and Self-neglect. The masterclass will be virtual and led by Mike Ward from Alcohol Change UK.

Substance Misuse and Self-neglect

Tuesday **20 September 2022**

10.00-12.00

Aim: to look at the reality of self-neglect and substance misuse, the underlying causes and barriers to change, as well as how to make most effective use of the three main legal powers which can protect vulnerable dependent drinkers: the Care Act, the Mental Capacity Act and the Mental Health Act.

To book: please [register via this link](#).

Spotlight on...

National Review of SARs

The Care and Health Improvement Programme (CHIP) safeguarding workstream commissioned Suzy Braye, Michael Preston-Shoot and Research in Practice to undertake a review of SARs completed between April 2017 and March 2019 to inform future priorities for sector led improvement in safeguarding adults' practice.

Both the [full report](#) and [executive summary](#) have been published, co-badged by ADASS and LGA and there was a successful virtual launch in December 2020.

Six shorter, targeted briefings were developed to enable easier access to the wealth of information and guidance arising from this work. These have been developed for: [Elected members](#), [senior leaders](#) (such as Directors of Adult Social Services and members of Safeguarding Adults Boards), [practitioners](#), [Safeguarding Adults Board \(SAB\) chairs and business managers](#), [Safeguarding Adults Review authors](#) and [individuals and their families](#).

The purpose of the briefings is to enable the learning and key messages from the analysis to be disseminated and have an impact across safeguarding practice and systems, supporting sector led improvement in adult safeguarding.

RISE Perpetrator Programmes in Richmond & Wandsworth

RISE is an innovative staff-led mutual which designs and delivers behavioural change programmes and new approaches. Our work issued in the criminal justice system and community to transform the lives of individuals, families and communities.

To create safe communities, RISE empowers people to break their cycle of harmful behaviour and develop better relationships with their families and society. A large part of this is through our work in tackling DA.

Perpetrator Programmes

RISE provide group work and one-to-one programmes, aimed at changing behaviour and attitudes of those who have been abusive within an intimate partner relationship, and increasing safety and wellbeing of their current and future partners and children. The programmes help men to achieve a better understanding of why they use violence and aggression in their relationships, and to identify better ways to deal with their problems.

Safe Relationships (SR)

- This is a groupwork programme
- 21 sessions, consisting of groupwork and several 1-1 sessions
- For standard-high risk men

Preparing Men for Change (PMFC)

- This is a one-to-one programme, for those *unable to attend group work* programme
- 16-20 sessions providing perpetrators with support and skills they need to change their behaviour
- For standard-high risk men

Safety Support Service

Support will be provided for the victims/ family of the perpetrators we work with by Hestia.

Eligibility

Male perpetrators aged 18+ with standard to high risk can be referred to RISE for assessment. Assessment will determine if they are best suited to PMFC or SR.

RISE can support those needing an interpreter, appropriate adults or those with learning difficulties through PMFC.

www.risemutual.org

Trauma Informed Practice Training

Please find below dates for this one-day (done in two half-days) interactive workshop for Partner Agency Staff to support the development of trauma-informed practice through increasing understanding of the prevalence, presentations and impacts of trauma, increasing understanding of trauma-informed approaches and exploring their application in practice.

Training objectives

To support the development of trauma-informed practice through increasing understanding of the prevalence, presentations and impacts of trauma, increasing understanding of trauma-informed approaches and exploring their application in practice.

Learning outcomes

In this interactive workshop participants will:

- ❖ Describe how to identify trauma
- ❖ Identify protective and risk factors
- ❖ Explain attachment theory and the trauma cycle
- ❖ Explain possible behavioural / psychological responses to trauma such as Personality Disorder, Eating Disorder, Promiscuity, Substance use etc
- ❖ Describe practical strategies for dealing with trauma including building trust, survivor partnerships, psychosocial therapies and medication

The dates and [TPD](#) codes are as follows (please note, participants would have to commit to both dates, as the course is completed in two half-days):

Date	TPD Code
03 and 05 Oct 2022 [10:00 - 13:00]	ASC/22/0504
12 and 14 Dec 2022 [10:00 - 13:00]	ASC/22/0507
21 and 22 Feb 2023 [10:00 - 13:00]	ASC/22/0505

An admirable [video on domestic abuse](#) by Senior Police officer from Avon and Summerset Police, who recounts her story of how her relationship turned into one of controlling behaviour and social isolation, in the hope that her words will inspire and empower other survivors of domestic abuse to break the silence around their abuse and seek help as soon as possible.

Participation and Feedback

Please submit 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'**.

Update from SAB Executive

The SAB Executive met on 26 July 2022. The Heads of Safeguarding for Richmond and Wandsworth Adults and Wandsworth Children Services presented an update on the work being done around Transitions, indicating there have been particular successes around culture change, with Children and Adults services collaborating and working a lot more closely than before. The Executive heard updates from the sub-groups and discussed the budget and the risk log.

Performance and Workforce Sub-group



The Performance and Workforce Sub-group will meet on 12 September 2022 and update will be provided in the next Newsletter.

Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR) Sub-group



The Sub-group met on 01 August 2022. There have been no new referrals. The Action plans from completed SARs are monitored and progressing, with 96% completed actions from 11 SARs.

Published reports and 7-minute briefings for all SARs can be accessed [via the website](#)

Communication and Engagement Sub-group



The Sub-group met on 17 August 2022. It discussed Fire Safety information for professionals and plans for the National Safeguarding Adults Week.

The Richmond Community Forum met on 22 June 2022. Partners updated on safeguarding, London Fire Brigade gave update on initiatives to improve safety around the river. Wandsworth Community Forum met on 20 July 2022 and heard updates from partners around safeguarding. The RWSAB Performance Dashboard and the Business Plan were shared and discussed at both Forums.

