

Welcome to the WSSCB Email Bulletin June 2019



How safe do you feel **online?**

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This will share helpful tips, information, upcoming events, training and news each month to help you and your family stay safe.

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It is vital to have conversations with parents and carers about the importance of ensuring

babies are put down to sleep safely

. This includes taking into consideration the actual safety of sleeping equipment parents may be using such as a bed, cot or car seat as well as the temperature of the room, clothing and whether parents are co sleeping. You should also be sharing this information with expectant mothers and don't forget to include fathers and other main carers in these conversations! Helping to reduce the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) is a conversation you can't afford not to have! Click [here](#) to read more about SIDS and if your service sends out newsletters why not copy and paste this paragraph straight into yours to save time! You

can also click [here](#) to visit the Lullaby Trust website which has more information on safer sleeping.



The **REBOOT project** has now opened its door to referrals. For those that haven't met with Laura Hussey or the youth coaches yet here is some information about the project and they are also able to come in for team meetings or one to one meetings to discuss what is on offer as a service. Please circulate this email around your team. The REBOOT programme will offer a personalised, strengths-based, one-to-one support package for children and young people aged 11-17, who have been identified as being at risk of engaging in serious violence and gang behaviour. With the support of a Youth Coach, a goal-based, personalised plan will be developed which will identify activities and other positive opportunities, beneficial in helping them overcome some of the issues they face. Laura Hussey the Horsham youth coach is Based at the Horsham Y centre. There also have 8 other youth coaches scattered across pan Sussex.

The project will focus on the strengths of the young person and capitalise on their interests, experience, skills and views. Participation will be voluntary and consensual with a commitment from the young person and family to engage with the programme. The project will be available to those young people who are falling into Level 2 on the Sussex Safeguarding Continuum of Need and are displaying a minimum of 6 identified risk factors, which are linked to crime/youth violence and adverse childhood experiences. If you would like to refer a child or young person, please complete the [REBOOT Referral Form](#) and email directly to REBOOT@ymcadlg.org This inbox will be managed by the REBOOT Project Manager Tracy Partridge.

podcast



Looked after children and self-harm

Community Care has published a podcast looking at how social workers can support looked after children and young people who are at risk of self-harm. The podcast covers definitions of self-harm, why looked after children are more at risk and how professionals can **best work with children and young people who harm themselves.**

Source: [Community Care](#) **Date:** 30 May 2019

Read more on NSPCC Learning: [Looked after children](#)



Adverse childhood experiences survey!

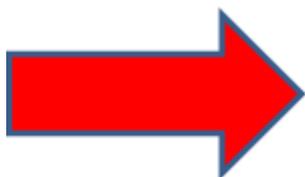
Public Health Wales has opened an **online survey seeking responses from public sector professionals** to gain an insight into their understanding of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs). **Source:** [Children in Wales](#) **Date:** 28 May 2019

Further information: [ACE-awareness in public sector workers](#)



Do you want to know more about the

MASH and how it works? A factsheet has now been developed to give you information on the role of the MASHs as well as information sharing and outcomes. Click [here](#) to view this document which is now on the WSSCB website.



Are you aware of the WSSCB Escalation Policy and how it can support you in your safeguarding work when decisions are made about a child or young person? If a decision is made by a different organisation to your own that you feel does not keep that the child safe you should be having a discussion with your manager about using the Escalation Policy to support you. Click [here](#) to read the policy and click [here](#) to view the Escalation Policy presentation slides. These can be used to provide awareness and promote discussion during team meetings, supervisions or professional discussions. Please be aware that if you disagree with a decision made about a child or young person that is within your own agency or service you should be accessing your own internal escalation process.



Do you find identifying **neglect** a challenge? Do you feel confident about how to talk to parents/carers about your concerns? Do you know how to evidence these and where to go to find the resources and tools available? To read the Neglect Identification Measurement Tool (NIMT) click [here](#) to view this document. Do you need training around the issue of neglect? Click [here](#) to view the WSSCB Training Calendar. Please be aware that if you are referring a case into the MASH around neglect you will be asked on the request for support form (referral form) whether you have completed a NIMT. This is designed to act as a prompt rather than cause delay in your referral. Click [here](#) to view the front page of the WSSCB website where you will find the link to the request for support form for MASH.



Do you need information on who to contact regarding **hate incidents** and how to report these. Click [here](#) to view these. Why not print these off and display them in your setting. There are 2 colours to choose from!

If you have any information that you would like to share in future editions of this email bulletin please email me directly on lucy.short@westsussex.gov.uk

Kind Regards,

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