

## Welcome to the WSSCB Email Bulletin November 2017



**Sussex Safeguarding Week** is just around the corner and there are still places on many of the multi-agency events taking place across the County. Safeguarding week will run from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November through to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. The key purpose is to provide a range of learning and development opportunities for staff and volunteers working with vulnerable adults and children in West Sussex, aimed at improving their safeguarding knowledge, skills and understanding, and promoting joint working. **Click [here](#) for details** on events, ideas on how to get involved and other useful information! Miss it and miss out!



If you have been on our website in the last couple of weeks you may have noticed a couple of changes. There is now a Professionals Zone on the main page which allows you to view all of the resources, tools and information available to support you. Take a look for yourself by clicking [here](#)



**NEW TRAINING ALERT!!** There is a now a Working Together To Safeguard Children Refresher course available on the Learning and Development Gateway. This course is a refresher only and not suitable for

those workers who have not previously completed any safeguarding training. It is half a day and enables those attending to receive recent updates, and get involved in multi-agency discussions on a range of safeguarding topics through the use of case studies and other engaging activities. It is hoped that those who attend the Working Together To Safeguard Children full day training as a refresher will now only need to attend this course. Click [here](#) to book your place. More course dates will shortly be available on the Learning Gateway so watch this space!



Did you know there are still a large number of professionals attending child protection conferences and core groups who **do not know what is expected of them**? Feedback from those who Chair these conferences is that many professionals are arriving at meetings unprepared and without having a full understanding of why they have been asked to attend. By attending the **Child Protection Conferences and Core Group Training** you will be able to support those parents you are working with by preparing them for these types of important meetings and letting them know what happens and what they can expect. Click [here](#) to book your place to ensure you attend your next Conference or core group more confidently and better prepared.



A **serious case review** has just been published by Brighton & Hove Safeguarding Children Board which evaluates multi-agency responses to vulnerable young people at risk of exploitation through radicalisation. It follows the deaths of two brothers, 'W' and 'X,' in Syria in 2014. Click [here](#) to read the review in full.



Brighton and Hove Safeguarding Children Board would like to remind workers in West Sussex who are sending out of area referrals that the MASH email address has **changed** from [MASH@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:MASH@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk) to [FrontDoorForFamilies@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:FrontDoorForFamilies@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk). The telephone number remains the same at 01273 290400  
Please amend your records.



Have you read the most recent copy of the SEND newsletter? Click [here](#) find out more about training, implementing the SEND strategy and other useful information.



Domestic abuse is any type of controlling, bullying, threatening or violent behaviour between people in a relationship, not just physical violence – domestic abuse includes emotional, physical, sexual, financial or psychological abuse. Both men and women can be abused or abusers (NSPCC).

Do you feel knowledgeable about domestic abuse and how it can impact on a child or young person? Click [here](#) to take an online training course to improve your understanding and awareness.



The updated Neglect Identification Measurement Tool (NIMT) is now available on our website and aims to help workers across the range of early help and universal services, such as health, education, and early years, to think in more detail about a

family where they are concerned a child is experiencing neglect. The tool is based on a Signs of Safety approach and prompts professionals to consider the risks, strengths and protective factors around the family. Click [here](#) to view this updated resource.



Do you have anything you would like to share with other professionals? This email bulleting gets distributed across the entire Children and Young People's workforce so your information will be seen by a large amount of professionals! Contact me using the details below.

Kind Regards,

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