

NATIONAL SAFEGUARDING WEEK

15TH – 19TH OF NOVEMBER 2021

THEME: LESSONS LEARNED

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Monday 15th November			
Time	Event Details	Audience	How to Access
TBC	<p>Ending Physical Punishment in Wales</p> <p>In January 2020 the Senedd passed the Welsh Government’s Children (Abolition of Defence of Reasonable Punishment) (Wales) Act 2020 (“the Act”). The overarching aim is to help protect children’s rights and give all children in Wales the best start in life. The Act received Royal Assent on 20 March 2020 and there now follows a comprehensive multi-media stakeholder and public awareness campaign before the Act comes into force on 21 March 2022. Once the law commences Wales will join over 55 nations across the globe who have already outlawed physical punishment towards a child.</p>	Professionals and communities	Details to follow.

Tuesday 16th November			
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10:30am-3pm	<p>Local Safeguarding Networks Virtual Regional Event:</p> <p>Presentations from:</p>	Local Safeguarding Networks Agencies	Register here

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	<p>- Charlotte Waite, Director of Transformation and Systems Change ‘Lessons from the pandemic’ The presentation will explore the findings from a series of conversations Platform held with public service and community practitioners across Wales during the pandemic. Many of the Lessons from Lockdown (Lessons-from-Lockdown-report.pdf (platform.org)) are by now familiar: collaboration, focus on what matters and localism flourished but others exposed holes in organisational cultures at odds with trauma informed, healing focussed and asset based ways of working.</p> <p>- Ann Hamlet, Head of Safeguarding, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board ‘Lessons from Adult Practice Reviews’ When a child or adult dies or suffers serious or permanent impairment of health and abuse or neglect is suspected a review of the case is undertaken. The purpose of a review is to examine how well agencies work together to protect the individual. We use an approach that looks at systems and identifies learning for agencies. This presentation will look at the learning undertaken from a recent Adult Practice Review, which included the themes of coercive control and mental capacity.</p> <p>- Jon Drake, Violence Prevention Unit Director, South Wales Police ‘Violence Prevention in Wales’ The presentation will cover the impact of violence in Wales with a particular focus on children and young people. During this I will discuss the work of the Violence Prevention Unit, and the</p>	200 Spaces	
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	<p>partnership approach being used to help prevent harm. Research conducted by the VPU on what works to prevent violence in different forms will also be covered and shared.</p> <p>- Donna Sharland, Outside Director, 'Autism and Radicalisation' Donna Sharland is an autism specialist currently managing an autism pilot for WECTU. The pilot is to support autistic candidates in the prevent program and provide specialist advice and guidance to aid the channel process. The Prevent strategy, launched in 2007 seeks to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism both in the UK and overseas.</p> <p>- Emma Coopey, Detective Inspector, Gwent Police, 'Operation Pinebank' The presentation will include an insight into Operation Pinebank which is an investigation into County lines which affected children and young people in Cwmbran. The presentation will show how quick it took for a London drug gang to embed themselves within our community and the devastating affect it had on the victims and their families. Reviewing some of the lessons learnt and discussing what worked well, the presentation aims at supporting partners to become more resilient and confident in dealing with this complex crime.</p> <p>- Sian Humphry's, Team Manager, Barnardo's Independent Child Trafficking Guardianship Service (ICTGS) This presentation will look at the work of Barnardo's Independent Child Trafficking Guardianship Service (ICTGS provide direct, specialist support to</p>		
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	<p>trafficked children. The Service helps these young victims cope with the practical and emotional traumas of being trafficked. Specialist support workers help them to understand what is happening with social care services, the police and immigration – in ways that they can understand.</p> <p>- Dan Jones, Newport Children's Services Senior Manager 'National Referral Mechanism pilot update'</p> <p>This update will look at Gwent's piloting of the National Referral Mechanism (NRM). The pilot will test if decision making about whether a child is a victim of trafficking is more appropriate within existing safeguarding structures in local authorities in order to provide each child with the protection, care and support they need. We will provide an update on how the pilot is progressing in its first few months of going live.</p>		
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Wednesday 17th November			
Time	Event Details	Audience	How to Access
<p>10am-12:30pm</p> <p>&</p> <p>1:30pm-4pm</p>	<p>The National Independent Safeguarding Board Wales, in partnership with The Wales Violence Prevention Unit, are pleased to announce an online conference;-</p> <p>With presentations from:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Helena Herklots – Older People's Commissioner - Professor Suzy Braye – Emerita Professor of Social Work/ University of Sussex 	<p>Professionals from Adult Safeguarding</p>	<p>This will be a live virtual event, so you will be able to dip in and out of slots as time permits.</p> <p>Notifications for booking through Eventbrite, as well as a full programme for the day, will be circulated in due course.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Alistair Davey – Welsh Government - Dr Alyson Rees & Dr Thomas Slater – School of Social Science/Cardiff University - Gillian Baranski & Vicky Poole, Care Inspectorate Wales - Jon Drake & Lara Snowdon- Wales Violence Prevention Unit		
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Thursday 18 th November			
Time	Event Details	Audience	How to Access
12.30-16.05	<p>The Right to be Safe- preventing and responding to child sexual abuse and exploitation in Wales</p> <p>The Welsh Government is presenting a remote digital conference and learning event on the afternoon of 18 November as part of National Safeguarding Week 2021.</p> <p>The conference will include presentations from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Julie Morgan, Deputy Minister for Social Services - May Baxter-Thornton and Emma Lewis, Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse Victims and Survivors Consultative Panel (VSCP) - Adam Richard Kaps, Youth Worker and Survivor - Anna Glinski, Deputy Director (Knowledge and Practice Development) Centre of Expertise on child sexual abuse - Karen Bamford, Independent Safeguarding & Reviewing Officer, Safeguarding Team - Deborah Job, Section Manager, Family Support South & East Conwy, Family Centre - Dr Sophie Hallett, Cardiff University - Sharron Wareham, Better Futures, Service Manager, Barnardo's Cymru - Claire Short, Stop it Now Wales, Wales National Manager 		<p>Follow link to register for event</p> <p>www.smartsurvey.co.uk/18 Tachwedd/18 November</p> <p>Deadline to register 28 October</p>

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	- Tessa Hodgson, National Independent Safeguarding Board		
	- Albert Heaney, Chief Social Care Officer for Wales		

Friday 19 th November			
Time	Event Details	Audience	How to Access
9:30-3:30	- Mark Pearson, GIRLS AND GANGS Understanding and supporting young women at risk.	Staff from Gwent Safeguarding Boards' partner agencies, commissioned services and professional carers.	For queries, please contact: Gwentsafeguarding@caerphilly.gov.uk



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