

**Welcome to the sixth edition of the newsletter for
Buckinghamshire's Safeguarding Adults Board**

This newsletter is the Boards way of communicating with agencies to let you know what we are doing and how you can become involved in our work.

Oxford Health 
NHS Foundation Trust

My name is Mary Buckman, I am the Head of Social Care in Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust and represent the Trust on the Safeguarding Adults Board.

Oxford Health is the provider of Mental Health services for people of all ages within Buckinghamshire.

Services provided to Adults and Older People in the community are delivered within a partnership agreement with Buckinghamshire County Council. This means that Adult Social Care and NHS staff work together in teams to meet the mental health and social care needs of people. This work includes taking responsibility for Safeguarding practice under the Care Act for those people whose needs arise from their mental health.

Inpatient mental health services for Adults and Older People are provided at the Whiteleaf Centre in Aylesbury which was purpose built and opened in 2014.

In order to support people with mental health needs effectively and promote their recovery, mental health services work closely with many agencies and organisations locally. A particular priority for Oxford Health is how we work with family, friends and carers to ensure that the right information and support can be provided for families. We recently ran a series of awareness raising events for staff in the organisation which includes the short film in the link here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p_Hfbri3ixA

We are now on Twitter!



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Safeguarding Board Meeting – 14th September 2017

The September Board involved a “Themed Event” around “Domestic Abuse and Coercive Control”. The Board received three informative presentations from:-

- Thames Valley Police
- Women’s Aid (Wycombe/Aylesbury)
- Talkback

The purpose of the presentations was to ensure that Board members were aware of the new offence and how it might impact on the work of the staff in supporting victims of domestic abuse. It was agreed that domestic abuse should form part of the work plan for 2018/19. This brings the work of the Safeguarding in line with the work of the Children’s Board which has started to focus on domestic abuse and children in 2017/18. A discussion was held on the future funding of the Board, and a new funding formula was agreed by the Board. It was agreed that the Board budget would come for final approval at the December meeting. The Board signed off the Annual Report which is available on our website

<http://www.buckinghamshirepartnership.co.uk/safeguarding-adults-board/buckinghamshire-safeguarding-adults-board/safeguarding-board-documents/>

The next Board Meeting is on the 14th December 2017 at 1pm.

E Learning

Bucks Safeguarding Adult Board has produced two E learning Packages as a part of its training work plan. It has been agreed that the Board will no longer provide basic safeguarding training and instead it would produce an E learning package which would enable a much wider audience to undertake the training. This training is now available via

<http://www.buckssafeguarding.org.uk/elearning-list>

We would encourage agencies to promote this free training amongst their staff.

The two programmes that we currently have are:

- Basic Safeguarding Adults Training
- Scams and Financial Abuse Training.

We are hoping in the future to add to the E learning portfolio so we would encourage people to contact the Board at BSAB@Buckscc.gov.uk with any comments on the training or suggestions for other E learning packages.

SAFE is the Service User and Carer Forum which is at the heart of BSAB and the group is currently looking for new members. If you would like to know more about or join SAFE then please contact the Board bsab@buckscc.gov.uk . SAFE members are happy to come out to your organisation/care home etc., and talk to people about their role and how you can become involved.

