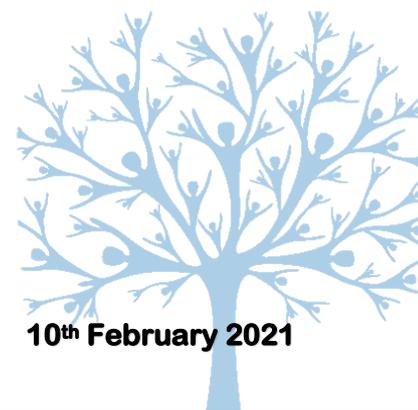


# ISLE OF WIGHT SAFEGUARDING ADULT BOARD NEWSLETTER



10<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Welcome to our February 2021 newsletter. In this edition, we will be highlighting the new 4LSAB Safeguarding Concerns Guidance which has been produced with partners in Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton, sharing some Domestic Abuse resources, and letting you know about some exciting training opportunities.



## ***Focus on Safeguarding Concerns – Launch of new 4LSAB Guidance***

In October 2020, we launched our **4LSAB Safeguarding Concerns Guidance**. The purpose of the new 4LSAB Safeguarding Concerns Guidance is to support the decision making and reporting of adult safeguarding concerns, in order to impact positively on outcomes for people with a need for care and support, who are at risk of or experiencing abuse or neglect.

This new Safeguarding Concerns Guidance and accompanying protocols are not replacing professional judgement, but will act more as a benchmark to assess concerns and help determine which concerns meet the criteria required for a safeguarding concern. **This guidance will replace the Isle of Wight Decision Support Guidance launched in 2018, however much of the guidance is the same and has been updated to fit a 4LSAB audience and to reflect the principles in the recent Local Government Association guidance published in October 2020.** This multi-agency framework promotes:

- Personalised approaches which balance well-being with safety and prevention
- Engagement with the adult about how best to respond to their safeguarding situations in a way that enhances their involvement, choice, and control
- An adult's rights, ensuring that those who lack mental capacity (as well as those who have capacity) are empowered and included within safeguarding support
- Empowering people so that they are partners in understanding and managing risk in their own lives
- An emphasis on the need for transparency and openness in managing conflicting outcomes (both of the adult and between the adult and professional organisations)
- The role of advocacy in all of the above.



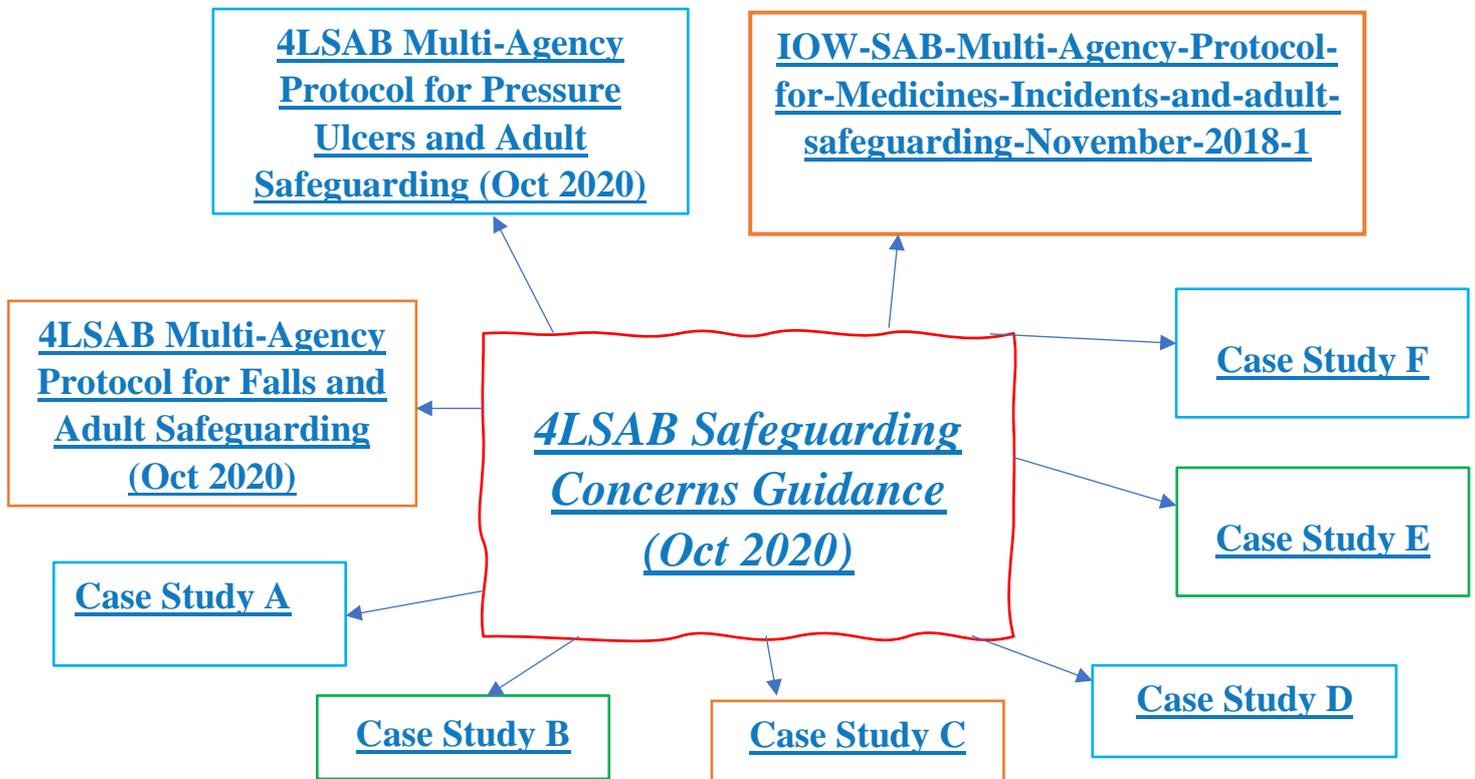
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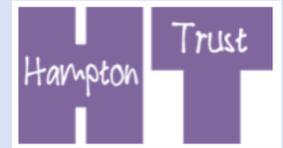
***The LGA have also produced some Quick Guides on the National Safeguarding Concerns Guidance which you may find useful:***

[Quick-Guide-1-Working-with-Definitions](#)

[Quick-Guide-2-Understanding-what-constitutes-a-safeguarding-concern](#)

[Quick-Guide-3-Flowcharts](#)

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**What is ADAPT?**

Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Programmes have traditionally adopted a 'one size fits all' approach and have only been able to work with individuals who demonstrate sufficient levels of accountability and motivation to engage with, and benefit from, the process.

ADAPT offers a needs led intervention to perpetrators wishing to seek support within these areas or those who have been referred into ADAPT services from other agencies. It is a Rolling Programme (allowing clients to begin intervention at the start of any module, with the exception of Sexual Respect).

ADAPT is foremost a change programme and is founded on the following approaches and techniques:

- ❖ Cognitive Behaviour Therapy
- ❖ Strengths Based and Goal Focused
- ❖ Motivational Interviewing



ADAPT is **not an anger management programme**. The issue of domestic abuse and the use of power and control are referred to throughout the programme.

Any professionals can make a referral to the Hampton Trust for someone they are working with, as long as there is domestic abuse in an intimate relationship – the individual does not need to have been arrested or charged. A willingness by the perpetrator to engage, and consent from the perpetrator is required. They will also ask for partner or ex-partner details as they will attempt to offer safety planning and onward referrals to victim services – these can be given without consent, and they will be unable to take a referral without these - working with perpetrators in isolation can raise risk.

A full suitability assessment is carried out, and their programme is 20 weeks long. The programme is usually face-to-face, but is being delivered virtually at this time.

The referral form can be found here: <https://www.iowsab.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/You-First-Referral-Form-2019.docx>

A leaflet with further information can be found here: <https://www.iowsab.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/You-First-Hampton-Trust-IOW-Brochure.pdf>

The Hampton Trust are keen to increase referrals from professionals and are happy to attend a team meeting to explain more about the service if needed – please contact 02380 009898 for more details.

## MARAC and HRDA

MARAC and HRDA meetings provide appropriate services for those involved in domestic abuse.

**HRDA** (High Risk Domestic Abuse) is a meeting that is chaired by Police /MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) with agencies in attendance and takes place every Tuesday and Thursday. Most high risk new referrals are discussed to ensure families affected by DA receive a timely response and any interventions can be put in place as soon as possible and referred onto MARAC if deemed appropriate.

**MARAC** (Multi -Agency Risk Assessment Conference) is a meeting that takes place once a month and usually falls on the first Wednesday of the month. At this meeting information is shared on the highest risk domestic abuse cases with representatives from Police, Health, Social Care, Housing, IDVA's (to represent the victim) and other specialists. The information is used to make a plan to keep the victim safe, safeguard any children and manage the behaviour of the perpetrator.

Any professional can complete a MARAC referral, and this will ensure a timely response for support and safety for the victim. DASH training is available by You First please email [tracey.jackson@theyoutrust.org.uk](mailto:tracey.jackson@theyoutrust.org.uk) for more information.

How to refer cases:

1. Complete a MARAC referral and DASH risk assessment or refer to You Trust who can do this.

**Referral into MARAC Process:** –

<https://www.iowsab.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Referral-into-MARAC-process.doc>

**DASH Risk Checklist Quick Guide:** –

<https://www.iowsab.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/DASH-Risk-checklist-quick-guide.doc>

**IOW You First Referral:** –

<https://www.iowsab.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/IOW-YOUFIRST-Referral.docx>

2. A DASH score of 14 or more yes answers needs to be referred in as this is deemed high risk. A referral can also be made on professional judgment if the referrer feels the victim is minimising the abuse or there is evidence of strangulation as these are high risk factors.
3. Send completed MARAC referral and DASH to [hampshire.MASH.admin@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:hampshire.MASH.admin@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)
4. Send a referral to YouTrust for IDVA (Independent Domestic Violence Advisor) service to [youfirstiow@theyoutrust.org.uk](mailto:youfirstiow@theyoutrust.org.uk)
5. The person completing the referral will be required to attend the HRDA/MARAC to present and discuss the case.

## MULTI-AGENCY RISK MANAGEMENT (MARM)

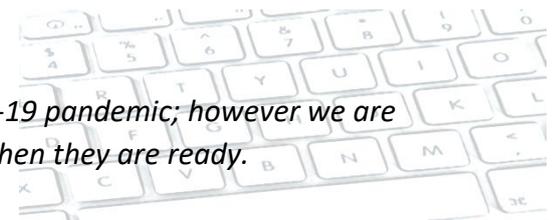
The MARM framework is a 4 Local Safeguarding Adult Boards (4LSAB) approach that brings together professionals from Health, Social Care, the Police, Housing and other agencies at a senior level. This also includes the adult, family members and friends who have a legitimate relationship with the adult. This framework is likely to be useful to any professional who is working with adults experiencing an unmanageable level of risk as a result of circumstances which create the risk of harm but not relating to abuse or neglect by a third party. For concerns regarding risk of or experiences of abuse and neglect from a third party, refer to the Decision Support Guidance – ***This can be found on the 'Information for Professionals' Page of the IOWSAB Website - [www.iowsab.org.uk](http://www.iowsab.org.uk)***.

**MARM PODCAST** - This podcast will give you a brief overview of what MARM is, how it relates to Safeguarding, when it should be used, what a good MARM meeting should look like, and where you can find further information if you need it. This can be used as a training resource for both front line staff and managers, for individuals and for teams. This information is for staff in any agency including Adult Social Care, NHS Trust, GP's, Probation, Housing, Voluntary sector, Drug & Alcohol services, Residential and Nursing homes etc. Do take a look on our website [www.iowsab.org.uk](http://www.iowsab.org.uk), click on the 'Information for Professionals' page, scroll down to Multi-Agency Risk Management, and look for MARM Podcast 😊

If in doubt, give the MARM Co-ordinator a shout! Sarah Cooke is our MARM Co-ordinator who can help you with MARM support and guidance. Sarah can be contacted via e mail [sarah.cooke@iow.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.cooke@iow.gov.uk) on Tuesday and Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Thursday 8 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.

## Upcoming Training

All face-to-face SAB training is currently postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic; however we are developing some free learning resources and will share them here when they are ready. Visit [www.iowsab.org.uk](http://www.iowsab.org.uk) for all Training and Events information.



**The following training sessions relating to Domestic Abuse are available:**

### **AVA (Against Violence & Abuse)**

- [Domestic Abuse—How to ask and respond to disclosures](#) - Tuesday 16th February, 10:00-13:00
- [Introduction to gender-based violence](#) - Friday 26th February, 10:00-13:00

### **You Trust**

- [Dragonfly Champion Domestic Abuse Awareness Workshops](#) - Friday 12th February - 9:30-12:30

## Training on Safeguarding Vulnerable Dependent Drinkers

Isle of Wight and Portsmouth Safeguarding Adults Boards and Alcohol Change UK are running six half day training courses on Safeguarding Vulnerable Dependent Drinkers. These courses are online and fully funded by the Boards.

Over the last year Isle of Wight and Portsmouth Safeguarding Adults Boards have been working with Alcohol Change UK, Professor Michael Preston-Shoot and a network of local authorities across England and Wales to develop a national briefing on *Safeguarding Vulnerable Dependent Drinkers*. This training presents the contents of the briefing in the form of a half day course. The aim of both the document and of this course is to:

- *Enable professionals in England and Wales to use legal frameworks to manage and protect chronic dependent drinkers.*

The course will on 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. It also focuses on a handful of other relevant powers such as anti-social behaviour powers. In addition, it emphasises the importance of a framework of processes that will enable the powers to be used most effectively.

**There are six online courses available. Each is identical. To book on a course please click on the link below and sign up. You will be sent a link to the training nearer the event.**

**13th April 2021** - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-vulnerable-dependent-drinkers-training-iow-portsmouth-tickets-140757289843>

**23rd April 2021** - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-vulnerable-dependent-drinkers-training-iow-portsmouth-tickets-140758318921>

**13th May 2021** - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-vulnerable-dependent-drinkers-training-iow-portsmouth-tickets-140757911703>

**20th May 2021** - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-vulnerable-dependent-drinkers-training-iow-portsmouth-tickets-140758419221>

**2nd June 2021** - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-vulnerable-dependent-drinkers-training-iow-portsmouth-tickets-140758228651>

**16th June 2021** - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/safeguarding-vulnerable-dependent-drinkers-training-iow-portsmouth-tickets-140758597755>

### ***Learning objectives***

By the end of the training course, participants will be able to:

- Identify chronic dependent drinkers who require the protection and support of key legal powers
- Understand how the Care Act applies to this group
- Understand how the Mental Capacity Act applies
- Understand how the Mental Health Act applies
- Understand what interventions flow from action under these powers
- Understand what helps makes these powers work to their best effect.

### ***Who is this course for?***

The course is appropriate for staff in all services who work with people who are at risk of alcohol related harm. This will include anyone working in public facing roles in health, social care, criminal justice, community safety, housing, homelessness, domestic abuse or other care roles.

