



VIRTUAL Working Together to Safeguard Children Refresher

Target Audience: This is a refresher course and is for those learners who have already completed the KSCP Multi-Agency course *Working Together to Safeguard Children* and have not completed any other multi-agency safeguarding training since or would like a refresher on the basics.

Aim: This course aims to refresh the knowledge of practitioners in relation to working together to safeguarding children. Learning Outcomes, by the end of the course the participants will be able to:

- Summarise recent changes to legislation and statutory guidance in relation to safeguarding children
- Explain the importance of working in a multi-agency way in order to effectively safeguard children
- Identify issues, encountered in their professional role and explore potential solutions to any problems
- State key themes which have emerged from recent local and national Serious Case Reviews

Venue: Virtual training

Pre-requisite:

Working Together course completed over 5 years ago and / or you have not had a lead safeguarding role and hence not completed KSCP training since.

[Book this Course and Others!](#)



Step 2—Young People’s Health

Supporting children and young people with their mental health post lockdown

Step 2 will be running a popular workshop on how to support children and young people after the recent lockdown on Monday 5th October 3-5.30pm via Zoom.

This workshop is aimed at anyone working with young people in a variety of setting including schools, youth provision, social care, residential workers etc. The training will look to:

- Deepen understanding of theory relating to children and young people’s psychological development and mental health.
- Raise awareness of the impact of lockdown on children and young people’s mental health
- Develop our understanding of children and young people’s needs in support of their well-being
- Feel empowered to identify and implement supportive measures when working with children and young people.

For more details or booking (Eventbrite fee £11.37) please click [here](#).

For more information on any of the workshops or if you have specific learning needs, please call Step 2 on 01274 683118.

The Base—Offers of Support to Partners

The Base are a commissioned young people’s drug and alcohol service for Kirklees working with young people up to the age of 21.

The Base offer one to one support for young people, training and group work and information and advice for professionals/families and much more. If you would like further information or to make a referral, please contact them on 01484 541589.

Alongside the one to one support for young people using substances, support is also provided to young people who have been impacted by parental substance use, also known as Hidden Harm. The service offers 121 support and includes work such as developing a better understanding of addiction, improving self-esteem and emotional resilience and developing techniques to better manage wellbeing.

For more information or to book training for your service and for further information on the services provided, please see the leaflets and training poster which have been uploaded alongside the briefing.

Changes to Referring into Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in Wakefield

Child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) in Wakefield have made changes to how people can get support from the service – also known as making a referral.

For further information, please click [here](#) to visit their webpage.

PCC— Safer Communities Fund (Deadline 16th October 2020)

This time a pot of £140,000 is available for voluntary, community groups, charities and partner organisations to bid for grants of up to £6000 to help keep their communities safe and feeling safe. For further details about the fund and to apply, visit <https://www.westyorkshire-pcc.gov.uk/news-events/news/pccs-ps140000- safer-communities-fund-opens-applications>

NSPCC Learning—Current Awareness for Policy, Practice 7

Research (CASPAR)

Coronavirus: safeguarding for voluntary and community groups

NSPCC Learning has updated content on safeguarding for voluntary and community groups to include the most recent government guidance. **Read the content:** [Safeguarding during coronavirus: voluntary and community groups](#)

Coronavirus: vulnerable children

The BBC reports that the Children's Commissioner for England has said that vulnerable children who require urgent support will "slip out of view" because of the impact of coronavirus. The Commissioner is calling for further resources to help youth workers engage with young people who may have drifted away from the education system, leaving them at risk of being targeted by criminal gangs. **Read the news story:** [Vulnerable children will 'slip out of view', commissioner warns](#)

Modern slavery and child trafficking

The Home Office has published statistics on referrals to the National Referral Mechanism (NRM), for potential victims of modern slavery in the UK for the period April-June 2020. Figures show that, for the first time, more referrals were received for child potential victims than adult potential victims: 58% (1,274) of the NRM referrals were for potential victims who claimed exploitation as children, while 38% (843) of referrals were for potential victims who claimed exploitation as adults. Separately, the UK's Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner has published their [annual report](#) which includes a call for independent child trafficking guardians to be rolled out nationally.

Harmful sexual behaviour

Stop It Now has developed a [toolkit](#) for parents, carers and professionals to help them be aware of the risks of harmful sexual behaviour in children and young people. The toolkit includes support, advice and information, and resources and links to useful organisations.

Online safety

The Law Commission has published proposals to protect victims from harmful online behaviour including: abusive messages or emails; cyberflashing; and pile-on harassment (where online harassment is co-ordinated against an individual). Reforms to tackle the malicious sharing of information known to be false have also been proposed.

Read the news story: [Greater protections for victims of online abuse proposed by Law Commission](#)

Online safety

Report Harmful Content (RHC), a national reporting centre which has been designed to assist everyone in reporting harmful content on a range of social media platforms, has expanded its remit to include harmful content located on dating platforms.

Read the news story: [Report Harmful Content announce 9 new partnerships contributing to safer online dating and gaming](#)