

## Learning and Development

### FREE training

(Awareness raising, resources and reference materials available to independent sector providers)

#### **Feeling confident in regard to updating within Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults, the Mental Capacity Act and Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards?**

- Wiltshire Council is committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of people living in Wiltshire and for promoting the safeguarding agenda.
- All agencies which provide a service to vulnerable adults in Swindon and Wiltshire have a duty to report any allegations or suspicions that a vulnerable adult is being abused in accordance with the Policy and Procedures for Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults in Swindon and Wiltshire.
- This places an individual responsibility on all members of staff to report abuse as well as an organisational responsibility on your agency to ensure that all staff receives support and training in Adult Protection issues.

To increase awareness the following is available to you:

#### **Training within Wiltshire**

- **Kwango e-learning packages on Safeguarding Adults, on the Mental Capacity Act (MCA) and on Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS):**  
They can be of use while people are waiting for a training place or for refreshing knowledge after attending training. **FREE**  
Accessed on [www.ws-careskills.org.uk](http://www.ws-careskills.org.uk)
- **Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Awareness:**  
This one-day workshop is available for people working in the independent and voluntary sector, delivered by trainers from Wiltshire Council. The training is **FREE** and you can apply for a place on-line on [www.ws-careskills.org.uk](http://www.ws-careskills.org.uk) and then click onto the Wiltshire Council website.
- **Safeguarding Adults Information Talks**  
Programme Leads, Maggie Hall and Thelma Claydon, are available to speak with staff, volunteers and trustees to raise the Keeping People Safe agenda. Looks at contemporary practise and asks organisations to reflect on their own policy and procedures in place, including safer recruitment practises. **FREE**  
Contact [maggie.hall@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:maggie.hall@wiltshire.gov.uk) or [thelma.claydon@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:thelma.claydon@wiltshire.gov.uk)
- **Mental Capacity Act and Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards**

Programme Lead, Jill Jones runs regular workshops for staff, volunteers and trustees to consider the impact of this legislation and its implementation in practice **FREE**

Contact either the DoLS helpdesk on 01225 756598, email [DoLS@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:DoLS@wiltshire.gov.uk) or [jill.jones@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:jill.jones@wiltshire.gov.uk) direct for further information

## Wiltshire Materials

- **Policy and Procedures on Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults in Swindon & Wiltshire:** This document can be accessed on <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/dcs-pub-safeguarding-vulnerable-adults.pdf>
- **No Secrets in Swindon & Wiltshire – What all staff need to know about reporting suspected abuse of Vulnerable Adults:** This **FREE** booklet for staff can be accessed on <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/dcs-pub-no-secrets-2009-may.pdf>
- **Social Care Information Library Service (SCILS):** All Wiltshire social care organisations have access to the SCILS website which is [www.scils.co.uk](http://www.scils.co.uk)

The SCILS registration number for independent social care agencies is **248WISH**. You use this for the first time you log in and then receive instructions for setting up your password.

The website has information on the national Common Induction Standard 5 (Recognise and respond to abuse and neglect) and has Individual Learning Sessions on the Mental Capacity Act, Safeguarding Adults Legislation, Recognising and Responding to Abuse etc.

You will also be able to find the Common Induction Standard's Evidence Workbook by going to 'Learning Materials'.

## General Information and Reference Resources

On your 'Add to favourite's toolbar' it is suggested you add the following websites for resourcing information, best practise and the latest research.

- **Social Care Institute for Excellence – Mental Capacity Act (MCA) Resource:** Through this resource you can access information and research reports etc. In addition, you can access five sets of training materials from the Department of Health website on <http://www.scie.org.uk/publications/mca/index.asp>
- **Care Quality Commission – Mental Capacity Act 2005: How it affects you:** Here you will find **Guidance for providers of registered care, treatment and support services: The Mental Capacity Act 2005**. This guidance tells you about how the Mental Capacity Act affects the way regulated care, treatment and support services take decisions and provide care, treatment and support for people who cannot take some decisions for themselves. You will also find **Guidance for providers: The Mental Capacity Act Deprivation of Liberty**

**Safeguards** This guidance tells you about the Mental Capacity Act deprivation of liberty safeguards: how care homes and hospitals apply for authorisation to deprive someone of their liberty when it is in a person's best interests to do so, and how CQC will monitor the deprivation of liberty safeguards.

[http://www.cqc.org.uk/guidanceforprofessionals/socialcare/careproviders/guidance.cfm?widCall1=customWidgets.content\\_view\\_1&cit\\_id=34918](http://www.cqc.org.uk/guidanceforprofessionals/socialcare/careproviders/guidance.cfm?widCall1=customWidgets.content_view_1&cit_id=34918)

- **City of Southampton's Safeguarding Adults Resource Directory:** This Resource Directory has information on legislation, national guidance, training resources etc. It can be accessed by clicking [www.southampton.gov.uk/health/careprofessionals/safeguardingadults.asp](http://www.southampton.gov.uk/health/careprofessionals/safeguardingadults.asp) Go to the right of the page and under Related Documents you will see Resource Directory.
- **The Safeguarding Adults Good Practice Project:** This project is funded by Comic Relief and is managed jointly by Action on Elder Abuse (AEA) and the Practitioners Alliance for Vulnerable Adults (PAVA). 'The project is aimed at the wider community of practitioners and others with a stake in Safeguarding adults from a variety of angles. The project aims to provide practical methods of identifying and disseminating good practice from around the country. This good practice could come from local authorities, service providers, advocates, service users etc. [www.elderabuse.org.uk/Mainpages/Elder%20Abuse.mht](http://www.elderabuse.org.uk/Mainpages/Elder%20Abuse.mht)
- **SkillsforCare:** You can read the SkillsforCare Knowledge Set called 'safeguarding of vulnerable adults'. This can be accessed by clicking [http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/developing\\_skills/knowledge\\_sets/safeguarding\\_of\\_vulnerable\\_adults.aspx](http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/developing_skills/knowledge_sets/safeguarding_of_vulnerable_adults.aspx)
- **The Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act (2006)** sets out a new scheme for registering ALL staff and volunteers who work with children or vulnerable adults. The scheme Vetting and Barring will be managed by Independent Safeguarding Authority <http://www.isa.gov.uk>