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Plymouth Adult Safeguarding Board

Update/Report to SAB or SAB Executive

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PURPOSE OF THE UPDATE or REPORT	Strategic Safeguarding Lead's Report
STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE	N/A
SAB SUB-GROUP	N/A

SUMMARY UPDATE/REPORT - LOCAL:	<p><u>PSAB Executive Group highlights:</u></p> <p>The Executive Group last met 18 June, and areas for discussion included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sub Group Updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SAR: SAB agenda item - Joint PSCB/PSAB Comms: work continues to agree relevant lead agencies for the campaign calendar. Business case has been developed for a Twitter account. Both boards' priorities are under review and will be linked to the PCC corporate calendar when agreed. - Quality & Performance: updated progress and ongoing activity of the group; including a 3 year review of the data; a 3rd cut of known information looking at severity of risk, repeat referrals and work on case audits. Update to be presented to the next Executive meeting • Budget: SAB agenda item • PSAB Review: SAB agenda item • PSAB Annual Report 2017-18: Members' report template agreed. <p>Next meeting will 17 September 2018 due to annual leave</p>
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Local Data Set Quarter 1 2018/19:

Full report attached separately, headlines of which:

- Safeguarding demand (referrals) longer term continues to increase, the number of safeguarding referrals in quarter one was 1,177, a slight increase on quarter four (1,145).
- 83% of new safeguarding referrals did not progress onto a concern, this is an increase on Q4 (80%). Improvement in quality of referrals has been identified in the work plan of the Quality & Performance sub group, and we will be linking to provider forums in an effort to clarify requirements. Clarity is also being sought at a regional level regarding appropriate responses to issues of quality/low level concerns.
- the main location for safeguarding concerns remains where the person resides; care homes and the person's own home. In Q1 27% of concerns related to incidents in a care home. The percentage within 'own home' decreased from 57% in Q4 to 51% in Q1.
- % of enquiries where the individual or individual's representative are asked for their desired outcomes has increased each year and we have now recorded the highest ever (84%). Along with an increase in the percentage of individuals/representatives whose desired outcomes were fully achieved (74%), we can see results from renewed focus on MSP and associated events and practice guidance.
- CQC Ratings - Performance updated in July for Q1 - 1% point increase in the number of care homes who are rated as Outstanding (now 4%, 4 homes). The number and percentage of care homes rated as Good decreases to 71% from 76%, down from 74 homes to 68. The percentage rated as Requires Improvement increased from 20% to 24%, the percentage rated as Inadequate stays the same.
- Results from the 2017/18 Adult Social Care user survey continues to report that those using long term social care support feel generally safe, and that figures for Plymouth show positive national comparison: 72% say they feel safe (national average 69%). 90% say services make them feel safe, (national average 86%).

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	<p><u>Devon and Cornwall ALERT and Hotelwatch</u></p> <p>https://alerts.dc.police.uk/</p> <p>Work is underway to establish connections between Local Authority teams, Safer Plymouth and both safeguarding boards with this two way communication system designed to help police connect with their communities, tell people what is happening in their area and for them to respond directly with any information.</p> <p>The system allows those who register to choose the type of information they receive concerning crime, its prevention, and community events/messages. We are exploring links to our joint PSCB/PSAB Comms Strategy and its utility to share messages from our boards.</p> <p>Similarly we are looking at links to both boards' strategic priorities and the Hotelwatch scheme, in terms of the sexual exploitation of children, young people and adults, Modern Slavery and missing persons:</p> <p>https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/advice/your-community/your-watch-schemes/hotel-watch/</p>
<p>REGIONAL:</p>	<p><u>SW ADASS Safeguarding Leads Group:</u></p> <p>Regional work continues to inform local processes and prove useful in terms of assurance and benchmarking, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - an MSP event in June: well received presentations by keynote speaker Adi Cooper OBE (see slides attached separately). Feedback and suggestions from workshops will inform the group's workplan going forward, and through links to the Independent Chairs' Network will inform a consistent approach for SABs - development of regionally agreed policies e.g: allegations against people in a Position of Trust (PiPoT), and best practice for cases involving Self Neglect - development of Quality Markers for SARs in collaboration with SCIE and RiPfa - consistency of LA reporting for annual Govt. Safeguarding Adults Collection (SAC) return - clarification regarding the appropriate use of quality vs safeguarding responses, the role of commissioners and regulators

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	<p>- information sharing guidance for SABs in light of GDPR</p> <p>Members have been invited to take part in a piece of research with Sussex University, working title: <i>Embedding the learning from SARs</i>. The project aims to cover not only how to embed learning but also how to evidence that learning has been achieved, and how to add value to SARs.</p>
NATIONAL:	<p><u>Independent Review of the Mental Health Act Interim Report:</u></p> <p>An independent review of the Mental Health Act 1983 (MHA) was commissioned by the government in October 2017. The government has tasked the review to make recommendations for improvement in the following specific areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising detention rates; • Racial disparities in detention; and • Concerns that the Act is out of step with a modern mental health system. <p>The interim report was published on the 1st of May. It summarizes the work so far, some of the findings and the key topics that have emerged as priorities for further examination. The final report and recommendations is expected at the end of 2018.</p> <p>https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/703919/The_independent_Mental_Health_Act_review_interim_report_01_05_2018.pdf</p>
	<p><u>The Mental Capacity Act Amendments Bill:</u></p> <p>Somewhat earlier than expected, the Bill was introduced earlier this month, with an expectation of approximately 9 months passing through Parliament and a 12-month run in/implementation period.</p> <p>In two broad parts, the first links to the MSP/personalisation agendas in that it proposes reforms to the MCA as a whole, designed to strengthen the proposition that the individual is supposed to be at the centre of decision-making.</p> <p>The second proposes a new approach to authorising the deprivation of someone's liberty, indicated by the change of name for DoLS to Liberty Protection Safeguards. However legal summaries in circulation note that it omits some of the recommendation submitted in the Law Commission's</p>



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	report. More details in this briefing: http://researchbriefings.files.parliament.uk/documents/LLN-2018-0077/LLN-2018-0077.pdf
RECOMMENDATIONS & PROPOSED ACTIONS	
1	For information, clarification and comment