

Cheshire East SAB Newsletter



Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board (CESAB) Update for Information

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Welcome to the Cheshire East Safeguarding Adults Board Newsletter. We hope that you find this newsletter a useful tool, and that it helps to keep you up to date with some of the local and national issues in relation to safeguarding adults at risk of abuse and neglect.

Please do not hesitate to contact CESAB with any queries or information you would like to submit to be used in future newsletters. Contact details at the bottom of this page.

1. The Traveller Movement – Space for Women microsite

The Traveller Movement have launched a microsite for survivors of domestic abuse. The website is full of information, videos and testimonials from survivors of abuse and although it is primarily targeted at Gypsy Roma and Traveller women, I would recommend anyone working in this field to have a look. The Traveller Movement's Safe Space for Women website is designed for Gypsy, Roma and Traveller women to get the information and support they need. The aim is for Gypsy, Roma and Traveller women to feel aware of their legal rights, options and local available supports.

- [Home - Space for Women - Support for GRT women \(travellermovement.org.uk\)](https://travellermovement.org.uk)

2. Crisis Café's in Cheshire East

Crisis Café's are designed to provide a safe space to support people experiencing emotional distress. Two sites were launched in February. [The Weston Hub](#) in Macclesfield, and [Crewecial](#) based on Dunwoody Way in Crewe.



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3. Shadows of Dementia – Belinda's Story

In May, Cheshire East Dementia / Carers and Domestic Abuse Project Group facilitated a workshop, provided by ODD ARTS Theatre Group, 'The Shadows of Dementia – Belinda's Story'.



The sessions were designed to challenge and inspire colleagues and partners, to increase awareness about Dementia / Carers and Domestic Abuse, and help identify signs of domestic abuse when working with people living with dementia and their carers, and learn how to support them to feel safe.

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Shadows of Dementia Workshop

4. Valuable Updates and Resources

- Skills for Care have produced guidance in partnership with the Care Quality Commission for professionals on [supporting people to have personal relationships.](#)
- [Controlling or Coercive Behaviour Statutory Guidance Framework](#) published by the Home Office 5 April 2023
- [Safe Care at Home Review](#) published by the Home Office and DHSC 12 June 2023
- [Cheshire East Carers Hub](#) have a number of [coffee and chat](#) groups running throughout the area, and also run a [carer training programme.](#)
- Royal College of Nursing have issued new guidance on [Older People in Care Homes: Sex, sexuality and intimate relationships.](#)
- Reminder – Nominations will soon be opening for the next Adult Safeguarding Awards. More details will follow in August.

5. Perception Theatre



In recent months Perception Theatre have been delivering their play [CUT](#) across Cheshire East schools. Based on a number of real life events, the play centres around knife crime and youth violence. The play has received great feedback from both students and staff. In May, professionals were given to view the production at St Peter Church in Crewe, where Cheshire Police thanked them for their work.

6. Alcohol Awareness Week 3 – 9 July

[Alcohol Change UK](#) have a number of resources available on their website to promote Alcohol Awareness Week. Including; latest guidance on [Identifying and addressing cognitive impairment in dependent drinkers](#); and a [You Tube presentation](#) by Ellie Atkins, a Substance Misuse Social Work Manager in Manchester, on executive function (cognitive impairment) problems and rough sleeping. It focuses on a woman with a chronic alcohol problem and a pattern of head injuries and shows how that can make it much harder for her to move forward.

7. National Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) Library

[The DHR Library is now available online](#). The library will allow all published DHRs to be accessible to the public, relevant stakeholders, and researchers. A single home for DHRs means that it will be easier to analyse the reports to understand key trends, factors and risks relating to domestic homicides. We hope this tool will support in allowing easier access to material that can help us to learn from previous reviews and ultimately, prevent future deaths.

The DHR Library currently contains a selection of historical DHRs, which will continue to be added over the coming months. From this point all newly completed DHRs will be published on the DHR Library, as such, we request that DHR Chairs and Community Safety Partnerships continue to send final copies of DHRs to the Home Office.

8. Carer Harm

Dr Sarah Donnelly, Assistant Professor of Social Work, School of Social Policy, Social Work and Social Justice in partnership with Family Carers Ireland recently launched their [‘Understanding Carer Harm’ research report](#) along with a number of [information booklets](#) for family carers and best practice considerations for professionals- this project was funded by an Irish Research Council New Foundations Award.

A link to a recent webinar focussing on the topic of 'Understanding Carer Harm' in which Sarah presents findings from the research she has carried out can be found here [\(Webinar link\)](#).

9. Guidance for Missed Appointments of Adults with Care and Support Needs

New guidance for Missed Appointments of Adults with Care and Support Needs accessing Health and Social Care Services is now available on the [CESAB website](#). This is a Cheshire East and Cheshire West document and has been written by representatives from the 2 x Local Authorities, 3 x Hospital Trusts, CWP, and ICB

This guidance outlines the roles and responsibilities for organisations in respect of adults at risk who do not attend, were not brought, or who are unable to attend their medical/social care appointments.

This document provides a clear pathway on how to apply safeguarding principles and procedures for those adults at risk who are not attending or are unable to attend appointments. It should be read alongside the Cheshire East and Cheshire West and Chester multi agency safeguarding adults' policies and procedures as well as your own organisations policies relating to safeguarding adults at risk and mental capacity.

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