



Public Protection Bulletin

11th November 2022

Dear colleague,

Nearly all public health protection measures have been removed but COVID-19 remains a risk, especially for vulnerable people. For the foreseeable future, our member organisations and front-line workers will continue to face significant challenges. As public protection leaders and managers have a responsibility to focus on how we continue to support our staff and volunteers.

As previously reported, our Adult Support and Protection and Child Protection Committees and subgroups have returned to the regular meeting schedules, albeit on video conferencing platforms. We review this on a regular basis to determine when we will be able to meet in person again.

People continue to tell us these bulletins are a valuable source of information and accordingly, we will continue to seek out the latest news and provide electronic links to more detailed articles.

As before, this needs to be a two-way process so please continue to share any interesting news or developments from your particular agency or organisation. We hope you find something of interest to you in the articles below.

Please stay safe and healthy.

Best wishes,

Colin

Colin Anderson, Independent Chair Adult Support & Protection Committee/Child Protection Committee

Glasgow Public Protection Newsletter

The Autumn 2022 edition of the <u>Public Protection Newsletter</u> is now available on the Adult Support & Protection Committee and the Child Protection Committee websites. This issue includes:

- Adult Support and Protection Revised Code of Practice (2022)
- NSPCC Childline Glasgow Urgent Appeal for Volunteers
- Health for All Teams
- Complex Needs Service

Children, Young People & Education

Keeping Glasgow's Promise

Glasgow's Delivering the Promise Multiagency Board has launched a new website, which includes Plan 21-24, outlining what the Board will do to make sure Glasgow's Promise is being kept.

<u>Behavioural Problems of Adolescents in Secure Residential Youth Care: Gender Differences</u> and Risk Factors

The findings of a comparison of behavioural problems and risk factors of boys and girls in secure residential care in the Netherlands and their association with behavioural problems.

New animation – children and young people

This brand-new animation was co-designed with Care Inspectorate volunteers, as part of Key Question 7 – a significant change to how they carry out inspections for services for children and young people.

It explains what the changes are, focusing more on what really matters to young people and the quality of care they experience. It also demonstrates The Promise in action by making sure that our young people's voices authentically influence our work.

Strengthening Families Journal

The latest issue of Strengthening Families Journal from SCIE is out now. The theme of this issue is 'Working with families in new ways'; learning from local authorities who are participating in the programme

Children's Hearings Scotland (CHS) Impact Report

CHS has published its annual Impact Report for 2021-2022.

Short film, 'Truly Listening: Learning from the Bright Spots programme'

CELCIS, in partnership with Coram Voice, launched a pilot of the Bright Spots programme in Scotland in January 2022. The programme offers a new opportunity for local authorities to respond to the views of care experienced children and young people. In this short film, hear

from Aberdeenshire Council and East Ayrshire Council as they reflect on their involvement in the Scottish Bright Spots pilot, and learn about West Sussex County Council's experiences.

Infant Mental Health Evidence Review

This report covers the key findings of a small sample rapid literature review of research on perinatal and infant mental health within UK contexts as well as brief interviews undertaken with members of the clinical teams in NHS Fife and NHS Lanarkshire.

Bairns' Hoose - Scottish Barnahus: Vision, Values and Approach

A factsheet setting out Scottish Government's vision of how Barnahus should be implemented in Scotland, the values which should underpin the model and its approach to its practical realisation.

Development of a Framework for Classifying Threat and Neglect in Childhood

A study that aimed to develop a framework for the classification of childhood adversity and its differential developmental outcomes

Child speech delays increase following lockdowns

The number of five and six year olds who need speech and language support at school has risen by 10% in England over the past year, BBC analysis shows.

Disability, Autism, ADHD & Learning Difficulties

How can people with learning disabilities be supported to gain meaningful employment?

Dr Ben Gray, a Research Ambassador and Service User Researcher at Healthwatch Essex, outlines his research project, Pathways to Meaningful Lives and Employment from a Service User's Perspective, which looks at the lived experiences of people with a learning disability. This includes their experiences at work and school, with a particular focus on what people with learning disabilities need to feel fully supported in a professional environment.

<u>Associations Between Co-Occurring Conditions and Age of Autism Diagnosis: Implications for Mental Health Training and Adult Autism Research</u>

Adult autism studies are increasingly comprised of later-diagnosed adults, yet little is known about how these adults compare to those diagnosed earlier in life. This study examined medical and psychiatric conditions endorsed by autistic adults and documents differences between those diagnosed with ASD in childhood versus adulthood, as well as across age groups and sex at birth.

One in five disabled people can't afford essentials, survey reveals

Disabled people are being "forgotten and effectively abandoned", forced to rely on foodbanks, and having to cut back on how much they eat, because of the cost-of-living crisis, according to new research by 15 disabled people's organisations in Greater Manchester.

Mental Health

Exploring Mental Health Disability Gaps in the Labour Market: the UK Experience During COVID-19

A study that analysed gaps in labour market outcomes between mental health disabled and non-disabled people during the COVID-19 pandemic in the UK.

Adults, Older People & Dementia

<u>Safeguarding People Living with Dementia: How Social Workers Can Use Supported Decision-Making Strategies to Support the Human Rights of Individuals during Adult Safeguarding Enquiries</u>

This article focusses on how the rights of people living with dementia might be protected through the use of supported decision-making within safeguarding work. The article begins by reviewing the aims and scope of adult safeguarding services.

<u>Supported decision-making to assist older persons experiencing elder abuse: An integrative review</u>

The aim of this integrative review was to explore the evidence on the effectiveness of supported decision-making for applying to advocacy in older people and people experiencing elder abuse.

Age Well Sessions from Glasgow Museums

Free sessions offered to groups of older adults and care homes visiting their venues. These relaxed museum sessions offer the opportunity for your group to visit and engage with museum objects in a meaningful way with a member of the museum's learning team, handle real museum objects, take part in practical activities, and enjoy tea, coffee and a chat. These workshops are dementia friendly and can be tailored to meet the needs of your group, and are available to book throughout the year in various different venues. To book please call 0141 276 9505 / 9506 or email museums.schoolbookings@glasgowlife.org.uk.

Glasgow Museums Open Museum Kits

Can be borrowed free of charge by community groups based in Glasgow. The kits work well with groups in healthcare or community settings and are great for starting conversations, inspiring reminiscence and oral history. If you would like to become a borrower, please contact OpenMuseumEnquiries@glasgowlife.org.uk. There are also a range of free digital resources available to enjoy.

Housing & Homelessness

Glasgow City Mission to open overnight welcome centre from Crimea Street base

Glasgow City Mission has renewed its commitment to tackling rough sleeping, building on the experience and expertise of running a winter project for the last 12 years, and is again the mission's aim to make sure no one needs to sleep outside this winter.

Podcast: The Tenant Protection Act with Patrick Harvie MSP

The Cost of Living (Tenant Protection) (Scotland) Act gives Ministers temporary powers to cap rent increases for private and social tenants, as well as for student accommodation, until at least 31 March 2023, effectively freezing rents for most tenants during this period. The legislation also prevents the enforcement of eviction actions resulting from the current cost of living crisis and includes a reform of the law on damages for unlawful evictions.

Substance Use & Addictions

New Funding Opportunities for Alcohol and Drug Services

The Scottish Government has announced £65 million of new funding to support drug and alcohol services as part of the National Drugs Mission, and as part of this, the Improvement Fund and Children and Families Fund have been reopened for applications by organisations already working directly with families of those affected.

Introductory online course launched for LGBTQI+ Substance Use

A free to access e-learning course on LGBTQI+ Substance Use has been launched by Scottish Drugs Forum in partnership with Glasgow Council on Alcohol, Kinder Stronger Better, and Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership. The course aims to increase knowledge and awareness of how LGBTQI+ people use substances, the health inequalities they experience, and the specific barriers they encounter when trying to get support. By the end of this course, participants will know how to make their services more inclusive.

Scotland's early warning surveillance system provides snapshot of drug use and trends

The newly operational Rapid Action Drug Alerts and Response (RADAR) programme, led by Public Health Scotland (PHS), has published its first report, which provides a snapshot of drug use and trends across Scotland.

Gender Based Violence

Domestic Abuse Strategy – New animation

Glasgow HSCP are pleased to introduce a short, animated film as part of the engagement and development of their first Domestic Abuse Strategy. You can view the animation on the Youtube channel.

<u>Developing New Portals to Safety for Domestic Abuse Survivors in the Context of the</u> Pandemic

A study that examined the emergence and implementation of community touchpoints established in the UK during the COVID-19 pandemic for victims/survivors of domestic abuse

Refugees, Asylum, Trafficking and Immigration

Help for people supporting Ukrainians launched by Open University

The OU has launched a new free online course for people housing, caring for or working with Ukrainians in the UK. The course focuses on Ukrainian culture and language and has

been developed specifically for UK residents hosting refugees, and service providers working with people who have arrived from Ukraine.

Vulnerability, migration and well-being report

A report on the experiences and well-being of asylum seekers and undocumented migrants, examining the implications of the research for policy, practice and advocacy.

Crime, Justice & Prisons

<u>Exploitation of vulnerable people highlighted in new campaign to tackle County Lines drug</u> dealing in Scotland

CrimeStoppers has launched a new campaign in partnership with Network Rail and British Transport Police to highlight how criminal 'County Lines' gangs target young people and exploit them to carry cash, drugs and weapons.

<u>Supporting Offenders with Learning Difficulties E-Bulletin</u>

Includes details of how Bail Supervision is changing, details of a toolkit for defence solicitors to use with clients who have communication support needs.

Understanding the impact of crime on society through data

The latest episode of the *Statistically Speaking* podcast debunks common misconceptions and unpicks the valuable insights hidden within measures of total crime, investigating: the impact of the pandemic; how our most recent figures suggest crime is changing; our work to better understand the nature of child abuse; and how combining data sources might address the challenges of counting "hidden crimes" such as domestic abuse, rape, and sexual assault.

Social Care, Practice & Workforce Matters

<u>Social Care: Independent Review of Inspection, Scrutiny and Regulation in Scotland - call for</u> evidence

The IRISR was announced on 23rd September. It will make recommendations to ensure that social care support services are the best that they can be for those that use them and work within them. To support the Review, the Scottish Government are launching a Call for Evidence where you can share your written views on how you think inspection and regulation can ensure social care support services can continually improve now and in the future. The Review closes on 23/12/22.

Online & Financial Harm

CyberScotland Bulletin October 2022

The CyberScotland Bulletin will provide you with information about the latest threats, scams, news and updates covering cyber security and cyber resilience topics.

Child sex abuse: Failing to report it should be made illegal - major inquiry

Anyone who works with children and does not report child sexual abuse should be prosecuted, the final report of a huge, seven-year inquiry has recommended. It called the

nature and scale of abuse in England and Wales "horrific and deeply disturbing" with children "threatened, beaten and humiliated".

'Money Mules' Campaign Launched

The National Crime Agency has launched a new campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of fraudsters and the practice of 'Money Muling'.

Events

<u>Understanding How Coercive Control Harms Children Webinar, 15/11/22, 1:00pm</u>

In this free webinar from Safe and Together, Dr Emma Katz will explore how coercive control is a multi-stranded form of abuse that encompasses many forms of harm to adults and many acts of child abuse and neglect towards children.

Health Inequalities in Scotland, 15/11/22, 3 – 4.30, Online

Earlier this year the Fraser of Allander Institute at the University of Strathclyde and the MRC/SCO Social and Public Health Sciences Unit at the University of Glasgow were commissioned by the Health Foundation to review the existing evidence on trends in health inequalities in Scotland since devolution. Join to hear about their two reports.

Five Nations Conference Series - Supported Decision Making, 18/11/22, 10.30, Online

This will be an update on the development of the Supported Decision Service in Ireland and on the proposals from the Scottish review of Mental Health Law.

Aine Flynn, Director of Decision Support Service and Sandra McDonald, past Public Guardian and member of the Scottish Review Team will be presenting on the webinar.

<u>Towards Implementation: The MAT Standards Webinar Series (Standards 6 – 10), 18/11/22 – 27/01/23</u>

The effective implementation of the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Standards will transform treatment services and the experience of people in treatment. Delivering the National Mission to Reduce Drug Deaths and the treatment engagement target depends on this transformation being made. This webinar series will explore how progress with implementation is being made in settings across Scotland and the challenge that remains.

Safer Internet Day Planning Event, 22nd November

At this free hybrid event for Scotland, you'll hear from UK Safer Internet Centre, Internet Watch Foundation and Ofcom about the Safer Internet Day campaign, free educational materials and the latest trends and research into children's online lives. Book your ticket to watch the livestream or attend in person in Edinburgh on 22nd November.

<u>Deprivation of Liberty - giving effect to the Scott Review recommendations, 22/12/22,</u> Online

This webinar will discuss the Scott Review recommendations on Deprivation of Liberty, their underpinning human rights imperatives, and solicitor practitioners' perspectives on how

these might be given effect in practice, including the practicality of the proposed reforms and whether they will protect people. The focus will be on law and practice in Scotland but the human rights requirements and potentially shared practical issues of implementing them may also be of relevance to other jurisdictions.

Seminar: Everyday lives of children who have experienced domestic abuse: implications for social work practice, 24/11/22, 12.00 - 1.00pm, Online

Supporting children who have experienced domestic abuse is a complex and challenging area of practice. In this seminar, Brenda Herbert will present findings from her doctoral research, which used an ethnographic approach to follow and explore the everyday lives of children over an 18-month period. She will reflect on the insights this work gave her into the world of the child, beyond the narrow lens of domestic abuse, and provide an opportunity for discussing the implications for social work and other professional services in this field.