

Due to the current COVID- 19 pandemic, WHCCG Safeguarding Adults Team will be producing a regular Safeguarding bulletin to provide the most up to date information for sharing throughout the CCG, primary care and care homes. The Safeguarding Adults team are working remotely to provide you with the same Safeguarding service and response. We continue to offer advice and support- please contact us at: WHCCG.Safeguarding@nhs.net

IMPORTANT:

Existing safeguarding advice remains the same. If an emergency response is required please call 999. Safeguarding referrals for Adults need to be made to the Local Authority, as they remain the lead agency. The contact number is:

HAMPSHIRE: In hours- 0300 555 1386 (Mon-Thurs: 08.30-17.00 and Friday 08.30-16.30) and out of hours -0300 555 1373.

SOUTHAMPTON: In hours- 023 8083 3003 and out of hours- 023 8023 3344

New Adult Safeguarding Online Referral Form

The Local Authority have developed a new online referral form for Safeguarding Adult's. This form is intended for when safeguarding concerns do not require an urgent response. The form can be accessed here:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/adultsocialcare/contact/start-a-referral>

Please ensure that if any safeguarding concerns are urgent and support is needed within the next 24 hours, these concerns are phoned through as usual on the above number, alongside completing the referral form.

MCA & DoLS

Please see updated guidance in relation to the Mental Capacity Act and Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards in light of updated amendments made by the Department of Health and Social Care. The MCA and DoLS guidance has been produced by University Hospital Southampton Safeguarding Team, who have given their permission to share.



QUICK GUIDE TO
COVID-19 MCA_DoLS

Domestic Abuse

Please note Government guidance on Coronavirus (COVID-19) support for victims of domestic abuse (updated 14.04.20).

As per the Government Guidance, “The household isolation, instruction as a result of coronavirus, **does not apply** if you need to leave your home to escape domestic abuse”.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-and-domestic-abuse/coronavirus-covid-19-support-for-victims-of-domestic-abuse>

DNA CPR

Please see recent comms alert from the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Sustainability and Transformation Partnership in relation to DNACPR orders. This alert has been produced to remind all healthcare professionals of the importance of planning DNACPR orders with individual patients following the correct decision making process.



DNACPR ALERT.docx

Covid and Safeguarding

Please see document produced by Local Government Association and Directors of ADASS Adult Social Services with frequently asked questions and useful links.

<https://www.local.gov.uk/sites/default/files/documents/COVID-19%20safeguarding%20adults%20FAQs%20final.pdf>