

Safeguarding Children and Adults

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Dear Colleagues

Below are details of some recently published articles and other items of interest on Safeguarding and Protection of Adults and Children.

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News items, books, reports

Including items from NSPCC's CASPAR bulletin

The NSPCC has published a report about child sexual abuse prevention. Key points include: sexual abuse is a public health issue, prevention programmes need to be grounded in theory and evidence, and there are still gaps in knowledge about sexual abuse. Calls to action include: a government funded 24/7 helpline for people concerned they may sexually abuse children or young people and a National Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Resource Centre.

Source: NSPCC Website <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/research-and-resources/preventing-child-sexual-national-strategy/> 22 May 2015

Further information:

Preventing child sexual abuse: towards a national strategy for England (PDF). <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/research-reports/preventing-child-sexual-abuse-towards-a-national-strategy.pdf> Preventing child sexual abuse: towards a national strategy for England (PDF).

The Prime Minister has announced the establishment of a **new Child Protection Taskforce** to implement reforms to social work and children's services, improve inspections and tackle child sexual exploitation.

Source: Gov.uk <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/pm-announces-new-taskforce-to-transform-child-protection> Gov.uk 24 June 2015

In an **article on p.10 of Public Health Today**, the NSPCC's Jon Brown outlines the collaborative actions across all levels of society needed to prevent child sexual abuse. The NSPCC's recently published report, Preventing child sexual abuse: towards a national strategy for England, presents knowledge about effective programmes and primary prevention interventions.

Source: Public Health Today (PDF) <http://www.fph.org.uk/uploads/PHT> June 2015_PHT June 2015.pdf Public Health Today (PDF) 03 July 2015

Further information:

Preventing sexual abuse: towards a national strategy <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/research-and-resources/preventing-child-sexual-national-strategy/> Preventing sexual abuse: towards a national strategy

The **Care Quality Commission** has published the results of a national survey representing the experiences of nearly 19,000 children and young people who received inpatient and day case care in 137 acute NHS trusts in 2014. Overall, children and parents or carers reported good experience of care. However, findings included: 35% of parents and carers said they were not definitely encouraged to be involved in decisions about their child's care and treatment.

Source: Care Quality Commission http://www.cqc.org.uk/content/children-and-young-peoples-survey-2014?utm_content=buffer728fd&utm_medium=social&utm_source=twitter.com&utm_campaign=buffer Care Quality Commission 01 July 2015

The **HSCIC** has published data on the health, care and wellbeing of young people in England. Key facts include: drinking, smoking and drug taking have all reduced in the last decade amongst pupils within secondary school education; in 2013/14, **referral rates to psychological therapies were twice as high for 15-19-year-old females than males.**

Source: HSCIC <http://www.hscic.gov.uk/catalogue/PUB17772> HSCIC 25 June 2015

The **Minister for Public Health has written to all NHS Trust chief executives**, directors of public health and chairs of clinical commissioning groups across England highlighting the need for extra vigilance with respect to female genital mutilation (FGM) as we approach the school summer holidays. She emphasises that NSPCC helpline staff have been trained by FGM health experts to offer 24/7 support to NHS staff on the complex circumstances surrounding FGM. The NSPCC FGM helpline number is 0800 028 3550.

Source: Department of Health <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/jane-ellison-writes-to-nhs-partners-about-fgm-summer-vigilance> Department of Health 10 July 2015

The **NSPCC** is calling for bids to conduct research into the long-term economic consequences of child maltreatment in the UK. The deadline for submissions is 9 September 2015.

Source: NSPCC Website <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/fighting-for-childhood/news-opinion/request-for-proposal-economic-consequences-child-maltreatment-uk/>

Female Genital Mutilation Protection Orders came in to force on the 17 July 2015 in England, Northern Ireland and Wales. FGM Protection Orders are unique to each case and contain legally binding conditions, prohibitions and restrictions to protect the person at risk of FGM.

Source: Family Law http://www.familylaw.co.uk/news_and_comment/new-female-genital-mutilation-protection-order-provisions-in-force-from-today#.VakXOKRViko 17 July 2015

Further information:

NSPCC Website <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/female-genital-mutilation-fgm/legislation-policy-and-guidance/>