



Safeguarding adults

Brief introduction

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What is adult safeguarding

Preventing or stopping abuse & neglect of adults who need care & support, & who are more at risk of harm because of those needs” (**Local Government Association 2013**)



Government

- Safeguarding is everybody's business with communities playing a part in preventing, detecting and reporting neglect and abuse. Measures need to be in place locally to protect those least able to protect themselves" **(DoH August 2013)**



Principles

Empowerment

Prevention

Protection

Partnership

Proportionality

Accountability



Types of harm

- Physical
- Neglect
- Sexual
- Financial
- Institutional
- Psychological
- Discriminatory
- Domestic Violence
- Self Neglect



An alert/ concern should be raised when

- There is concern that an adult at risk may have been, is, or might be a victim of significant harm or abuse by any other person or persons.

**Multi-Agency Safeguarding Adults
Policy and Procedures 2013**



Specific Responsibilities

- Councils – lead role
- Safeguarding Adults Boards
- NHS -Clinical Commissioning Groups
- NHS Providers
- Police & Criminal Justice System
- Care Quality Commission
- Health & Wellbeing Boards
- Providers of statutory and independent care



Care Act - Creates a legal framework on

- Safeguarding Adults Reviews
- Statutory requirement for Safeguarding Adults Boards
- Protection of property of those cared for away from home
- Roles responsibilities and training of local authorities, NHS and the police
- Advocacy



Making Safeguarding Personal

- Safeguarding adults at risk should not be systems process driven but person centred
- More meaningful engagement of people in safeguarding
- Asking individual what outcomes they want
- Focusing on the outcomes the individuals wants
- Finding out to what extent those outcomes have been met



QUESTIONS

