

# ISLE OF WIGHT SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARTNERSHIP



## Board meeting 18<sup>th</sup> June – Key Information

- Covid-19: Lessons and Opportunities – This agenda item provided an opportunity for agencies to share with each other the challenges, learning and opportunities they had experienced during the pandemic and what new ways of working were likely to continue going forward.
- Taking Stock – Stuart Ashley presented the outcomes of the February Board Development Day and where the Partnership currently stands following the New Arrangements which came into place in September 2019.
- Child Exploitation Risk Assessment Form (CERAF) – A draft of the revised SERAF form was presented. The new form, the CERAF, will be used across the HIPS areas and will be published along with guidance notes and training for front line staff.
- Data - The quarter 3 and 4 2019/20 Performance and Quality Assurance (PQA) data report was presented to members with areas for further analysis discussed.
- The case file audit report on Prevention and Early Intervention was presented. The recommendations were agreed, and these will be monitored by the

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23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020

## Inter-Agency Referral Form (IARF)

To continuously improve the way we work to safeguard children, the Children's Reception Team (CRT) and Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) have worked with partners to update the Inter-agency Referral Form (IARF).

What has changed?

1. The form is more succinct, making it quicker and easier to make referrals;
2. New fields provide a more well-rounded picture of risks and safeguards;
3. You can now attach supporting evidence to referrals, for this information to be considered at the earliest opportunity.

Each of these changes is a positive step towards reducing the time taken to process child welfare or safeguarding concerns, so that children and families receive the support they need as quickly as possible.

**Partnership Team** – The Team continue to respond to enquiries via [SCP@iow.gov.uk](mailto:SCP@iow.gov.uk) and 01983 814545.

**Meetings** - Board and subgroup meetings are being held as scheduled, and continue to be virtual at this time using Teams. Dial in details are provided for each meeting.

**Referrals** - During the pandemic, referrals to the Learning Inquiry Group (LIG) for Local Child Safeguarding Practice Review should continue via the usual processes.

**Training** - The Workforce Development group are working hard to develop a number of online course while face-to-face training has been suspended. Keep an eye on our [training webpage](#) where courses will be advertised.

If you wish to be added to our training advert email group, please contact us at [SCP@iow.gov.uk](mailto:SCP@iow.gov.uk)

## HIPS Child Exploitation Group

The Spring edition of the [HIPS Child Exploitation Newsletter](#) is now available on our website. This strategic child exploitation group was established across the HIPS (Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and Southampton) area to provide leadership and direction, ensuring a coordinated partnership response to child exploitation

Have you checked out our [national resource's](#) webpage?

It contains links to organisations and charities that provide information and guidance on various topics. If you think we are missing any, please email us at [SCP@iow.gov.uk](mailto:SCP@iow.gov.uk)

The screenshot shows a website with a blue header containing navigation links: Home, Practitioners, Parents & Carers, Children, and contact information: 01983 814545 and scp@iow.gov.uk. The main content area is pink and lists several resources:

- General**
  - British Youth Council**: Phone Number: 020 7250 8374. Description: The British Youth Council empowers young people aged 15 and under to influence and inform the decisions that affect their lives.
  - Childline**: Phone Number: 0800 11 11. Description: A free, private and confidential service where you can be you. Whatever your worry, whenever you need help, however you want to get in touch.
  - Cruse Bereavement Care**: Description: This charity provides free help to anyone who has been bereaved, regardless of the length of time since the bereavement.
  - Danger Spot**: Description: Provides child safety on a wide range of topics from home safety, road safety, stranger danger, water safety and online safety.
  - Diocese of Portsmouth**: Description: Coping with Bereavement in Church Schools. These guidelines provide a basis for coping with bereavement well within the life of a school.
  - Family Lives**: Description: Family Lives was formed over forty years ago by volunteers with the aim of ensuring that all parents had somewhere to turn before they reached crisis point.

Logos for British Youth Council, Childline, Cruse Bereavement Care, Danger Spot, Diocese of Portsmouth, and Family Lives are displayed on the right side of the page.