



Safeguarding is everybody's business.

Earn a certificate in E-Safety!

Has your organisation applied for its E-Safety Certificate?
Can you demonstrate a commitment to keeping children and young people safe online?

You will need to evidence that you:

- have managers committed to online safety
- have a designated E-Safety Champion
- are actively using the SWGfL 360 degree Self Review Tool or Online Compass
- provide regular and appropriate E-safety education and training
- incorporate the views of young people into your E-safety policy and practice



This is open to any group, organisation or school who work with children and young people.
To find out more go to the [DSCB website](#)

Watch Out for Scams!



In the UK it is estimated that scams account for £5 billion of consumer detriment each year. Many victims will live in Dorset.

Scams can be targeted by mail, phone or internet. Personal details will be sold and then targeted. Scams can be persuasive, have a look of authority and require the victim to act quickly and alone. Many people respond by sending money and some people are persuaded to disclose their bank details and pin number.

Trading Standards work with victims to help break the scam cycle. However the biggest challenge is that reporting is low at 5% and many people deny being a victim. Silence is a scammer's best friend because it allows financial abuse to continue behind closed doors. If you think you know someone who is responding to scams call the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on 03454 04 05 06 or visit the Think Jessica campaign at www.thinkjessica.com

Escalating Concerns about a Case

Serious case reviews and audits are identifying that escalations and professional challenge are not happening when there are concerns that multi-agency practice is not working.

Every practitioner working with children, adults and their families is responsible for expressing

concern or seeking clarification when they are concerned.

The [Pan-Dorset Multi-Agency Safeguarding Procedure](#) for children is a key document for practitioners to read and understand. Similarly the [Pan-Dorset Multi Agency Procedures](#) for Adults outlines the process for Safeguarding Adults. Please take this opportunity to make yourself aware of the procedures.

Escalations should not be viewed as threatening or critical, as they are usually made in the best interest of children's well-being. They are an opportunity to discuss and explain the rationale for decisions when they are not understood by those involved.

Young People In Transition to Adult Health and Social Care Services

New health and social care guidance from NICE – the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence – aims to improve support for young people as they move from children's to adults' health and care services.

The guideline committee, which included young people, found that support can often be patchy and inconsistent. The [new guideline](#) aims to ensure that young people are supported and involved in decisions before, during and after transition



Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day

March 18 2016



Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day is a day to think, spot and speak out against abuse and raise awareness of the issues surrounding child sexual exploitation. Find out more about the day [here](#).

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- [The numbers you need to report a concern about a child.](#)
 - [What to do if you suspect an adult is being harmed or abused.](#)

