

INFORMATION SHARING AND SAFEGUARDING

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Why does it matter?

Adult serious case reviews (Safeguarding Adults Review) frequently highlight failures between safeguarding partners (local authorities, GPs and health, the police, housing, care providers) to communicate and work jointly.

Such failures can lead to serious abuse and harm and in some cases, even death.

Whose business is it? Everyone's



Workers across a wide range of organisations need to be vigilant about adult safeguarding concerns in all walks of life including, amongst others in health and social care, welfare, policing, banking, fire and rescue services and trading standards; leisure services, faith groups, and housing

(Care Act Statutory Guidance)



Why do we share information?





MAKING SAFEGUARDING PERSONAL





When consent is not available: dohsc statutory guidance

Where an adult has refused to consent to information being disclosed for these purposes, then practitioners must consider whether there is an overriding public interest that would justify information sharing.

(for example, because there is a risk that others are at risk of serious harm)

SHARING INFORMATION: FOLLOW GUIDANCE AND AGENCY POLICY



Confidentiality and Information Sharing for Direct Care

Guidance for health and care professionals



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Adult safeguarding: sharing information



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TABLE DISCUSSION

❖ Read out Part 1

❖ Discuss:

What information does the MASH need?

Who might be able to share information to help inform next steps?



TABLE DISCUSSION

❖ Read out Part 2

❖ Discuss:

What has worked well?

Are there any obstacles?

How could those obstacles be overcome?

❖ Record:

1 way to improve information sharing

1 obstacle to information sharing



TABLE DISCUSSION

❖ Read out Part 3

❖ Discuss:

How do you as a group feel about these outcomes?
Do they reflect consideration of the Adult's wishes?
Would you do anything differently?

❖ Record:

What information do you need in order to make safeguarding personal?