

## Free online multi-agency Safeguarding training available to officers in Sandwell

This document provides details of Sandwell's multi-agency Safeguarding training programme which is available to officers in Sandwell. The training sessions are held via Microsoft Teams, face to face and various free eLearning modules available for officers from all partner organisations to access. This covers adults and children's safeguarding and domestic abuse training. Details of these training sessions, e-courses and booking instructions can be found below. There are also details of national eLearning courses available.

### Safer Sandwell Partnership

### Sandwell Domestic Abuse Strategic Partnership

### Sandwell Safeguarding Adults Board

### Sandwell Children's Safeguarding Partnership



### Sandwell Learn eLearning Programme

The Sandwell Learn eLearning programme is a complementary learning package, of high quality courses for those working or volunteering with children, young people and their families developed by practitioners. The courses reflect the philosophy of:

- Multi Agency working
- Provides a common language
- Signposts you to further learning and development opportunities and information
- Every course produces a certificate of achievement, contributing to your continual professional development
- Designed to be thought-provoking and may change the way you think and relate to children, young people and their families

### Please see a list of some of the courses available below:

- **Domestic Violence and Abuse (DVA) -**  
To help practitioners understand more about DVA, incorporating Forced Marriage (FM), Honour Based Violence (HBV) and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM).
- **Safer Sandwell Partnership Learning from Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs)**  
This course will inform learners what a DHR is and how they are completed, give examples from local cases and increase awareness of the importance of multi-agency working.
- **A Signs of Safety Approach to Working with Families**  
Introduction to the principles and practice of the Signs of Safety Framework and a Solution Focused Approach.
- **Dementia Awareness.** This course provides an introductory level insight into dementia and the experience of living with it. It is aimed at anyone who provides care and support to someone with dementia such as family members, health professionals, social workers, friends and many more. The course is also suitable for anyone who wishes to develop their understanding of dementia.

- **Information Sharing**

A high-quality eLearning course based on the government's guidance for practitioners and managers on sharing information.

- **Integrated Working**

Provides the children's workforce with tools to support integrated working, to use common processes, language and systems to the best advantage for children, young people and their families.

- **Understanding child attachment**

This training explains the attachment children have to their main carers. Understanding the basics of attachment theory in its various forms and stages can significantly improve outcomes for children.

- **Child Protection Level 1**

An introduction to the concept of providing protection to children in their care. The course covers understanding the concept, size of the challenge, how to spot issues of concern and what to do about them. This programme is seen as complementary to Safeguarding Children and Young People Module 1 and is not intended to replace it.

- **Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)**

Provides an understanding of the nature, signs and indication and risks associated to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

- **Poverty**

To help participants to understand poverty, recognise the impact of poverty on people's lives so that they can help those experiencing poverty to access a range of help and support.

- **An Introduction to Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)**

To help develop an understanding of what ACEs are and the research behind it as well as how to use ACEs within everyday practice.

- **An Introduction to ACEs and Trauma Informed Practice**

To help participants develop an understanding of ACEs and Trauma Informed Practice and initial changes that can be made to everyday practice.

- **Healthy Outcomes**

Aimed at anyone who wishes to improve the home, school and social environment of children in order to improve their health, wellbeing and physical activity.

- **Introduction to Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND)**

This course will give you awareness of your responsibility and of the impact you can have in improving outcomes for children and young people.

- **Prevent Training**

This course has been produced to provide an overview on Radicalisation and the Prevent duty. To understand what radicalisation is and the concept of terrorism.

To access Sandwell Learn courses, you need to register for a Sandwell Learn account by emailing [sandwell\\_learn@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:sandwell_learn@sandwell.gov.uk)



## Sandwell Children's Safeguarding Partnership e-learning courses

To access this e-learning system, you will first need to log in or create a user account and once you have done this, you will be able to access courses, manage your training history and download your certificates.

**Please note: individuals must create their own account.** There is no facility for one person to create an account in their name and book numerous members of staff on separate courses.

Below is a list of eLearning Modules:

**SCSP Learning from Serious Cases** - This course is suitable for anyone who works with children and young people. The course aims to inform delegates of the SCR/CSPR process and gives examples of both local and national case reviews that have led to changes in practice. Delegates should consider the learning in light of their own practice and how this can be used to improve their work with children and young people.

**SCSP Neglect Awareness** - This eLearning module is an awareness module for those who would like to learn more about neglect as a standalone session. It is also the pre-requisite for the Graded Care Profile 2 Neglect Toolkit training and must be completed before you can access the face to face training.

**SCSP Private Fostering Module** - This training is aimed at any professional or volunteer who engages in any activity or work where they may have an awareness of children's living arrangements.

**SCSP Refresher; Level 3 Core Working Together to Safeguard Children and Young People (eLearning)** - This course has been developed during the COVID-19 pandemic to keep Safeguarding leads up to date with their level 3 safeguarding requirements. Face to Face refresher training will recommence later in the year.

**Please note if you have not completed the Level 3 Core Working Together Full day training within the last two years this training will not be suitable, and any certificates issued following this training will not be valid.**

**SCSP Module 1 Childhood Regained; Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness** - This is the one of four modules for the Childhood Regained Exploitation Awareness eLearning to be completed prior to the 'Tackling Child Exploitation' Virtual training session.

**SCSP Module 2 Childhood Regained; County Lines Awareness** - This is the one of four modules for the Childhood Regained Exploitation Awareness eLearning to be completed prior to the 'Tackling Child Exploitation' Virtual training session.

**SCSP Module 3 Childhood Regained; Gangs Awareness** - This is the one of four modules for the Childhood Regained Exploitation Awareness eLearning to be completed prior to the 'Tackling Child Exploitation' Virtual training session.

**SCSP Module 4 Childhood Regained; Knife Crime** - This is the one of four modules for the Childhood Regained Exploitation Awareness eLearning to be completed prior to the 'Tackling Child Exploitation' Virtual training session.

### **eLearning Coming Soon:**

**ICON: 'Babies cry, you can cope'** - This training is designed to equip you with the knowledge, information and skills that you will need to discuss ICON with prospective parents. The ICON Programme is a preventative programme, based around helping parents cope with a crying baby. The word 'ICON' represents the following message: Infant crying is normal, and it will stop. Comfort methods can sometimes soothe the baby and the crying will stop. It's OK to walk away if you have checked the baby is safe and the crying is getting to you. Never, ever shake or hurt a baby.

eLearning courses can be booked via the following link:

<https://training.sandwellscb.org.uk/elearning-list>

Below is a list of face to face and virtual training sessions. Please ensure your organisations supports access to Microsoft Teams to enable you to access virtual sessions.

- Childhood Regained, Tackling Child Exploitation
- Core Working Together - Level 3 Safeguarding Children & Young People
- EHM- Early Help Module- basic training - This is a virtual learning event
- EHM- Early Help Module- advanced training - This is a virtual learning event
- Graded Care Profile 2 (GCP2)
- Gender Identity- This is a virtual learning event
- Hidden Men – Finding Ways Forward- This is a virtual learning event
- Introduction to Early Help in Sandwell (integrated working)- This is a virtual learning event
- Lead Professional- This is a virtual learning event
- Managing allegations
- Multi-Agency Threshold
- Why wouldn't families want to work with us? Working with Resistance and 'Disguised Compliance'- This is a virtual learning event

Dates for each session are available on the website and delegates can click on the 'Notify me of future occurrences of this event' option to receive information when new dates are added and add yourself on the waiting list if a course is full. You will need to register for an account to access this training if you don't already have one. You can do this by following this link:

<https://training.sandwellscb.org.uk/>

To express an interest please email: [SCSP\\_training@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:SCSP_training@sandwell.gov.uk)

## **Sandwell Safeguarding Adults Board (SSAB) eLearning**

**SSAB** currently offer the following eLearning and can be booked via the following link:

<https://training.sandwellscb.org.uk/elearning-list>

To use this e-learning system, you will need to log in or create a user account. Once you have done this, you will be able to access courses, manage your training history and download your certificates. eLearning courses are available as detailed below– click on more information and booking for relevant eLearning.

### **We currently offer**

**Understanding Adult Safeguarding – Awareness (3 versions dependent on your role)**

**Understanding Hate Crime**

**Understanding VARM Awareness (Vulnerable Adults Risk Management)**

### **Adult Safeguarding Awareness eLearning**

The following three eLearning packages relate to Level 1 training – one relevant for all employees, one relevant for employees who work in Adult Care and one specifically for Councillors. Training at level 1 covers both Introduction and Awareness highlighting the following areas and with reference to West Midlands Policy and Procedure:

- What is abuse (types),
- Where abuse can happen,
- Who abuses and how to report concerns
- Awareness of legislative framework
- Making Safeguarding Personal approach

### **SSAB Understanding Adult Safeguarding –introduction for all employees.**

This level is equivalent to basic awareness safeguarding training suitable for all staff and organisations including administrative staff, caterers, laboratory staff, finance, payroll staff and support staff.

### **SSAB Understanding Adult Safeguarding –introduction for employees who work in Adult Services.**

This level is equivalent to basic awareness safeguarding training and is suitable for all staff including safeguarding adults. The training will help staff and volunteers to understand what to look out for that may indicate possible harm or abuse, who to contact when there is a concern and identify when adults are at risk of abuse.

### **SSAB Understanding Adult Safeguarding –your responsibilities as an Elected Member.**

To help Councillors understand what things to look out for which may indicate possible harm or abuse, and who to contact and seek advice from within their organisation if they have concerns and identify when adults are at risk of abuse or are being abused within their usual environments.

### **Hate Crime awareness eLearning**

#### **SSAB Understanding Hate Crime – Level 1**

This is a basic introduction to hate crime developed in partnership with Dudley Safe and Sound. This training provides an understanding of hate crime, what to do if you witness a hate crime or need to support someone affected by it.

### **VARM awareness eLearning**

#### **SSAB Understanding VARM Awareness (Vulnerable Adults Risk Management)**

This eLearning looks at the Vulnerable Adults Risk Management (VARM) process and how to use it effectively to support individuals. Participants can explore the VARM policy and procedures; consider roles and responsibilities of different agencies within VARM; explore some of the skills and methods that can support working with individuals and develop confidence in working with VARM.

## Domestic Abuse Online Training

We have the following online training available for officers from all partner organisations to access. Sessions are held **via Microsoft Teams unless stated otherwise** (please ensure your organisation supports access to Microsoft Teams to enable you to access this session).

**Domestic Abuse and Recourse to Public Funds** – provides an understanding of the complexities of domestic abuse and immigration issues and how to support victims.

**Learning from Domestic Homicide Reviews training** - provides an understanding of the key learning from domestic homicide reviews, the pattern of coercive control and the tools and pathways for child and adult safeguarding.

**Sexual Assault and Abuse & Female Genital Mutilation** - provides an understanding of the law in regard to Rape and Sexual Assault and Abuse, the impact of sexual assault and abuse on victims/survivors, guidance on Female Genital Mutilation and the impact it has on women and girls.

**Domestic Abuse – 2-day course** – provides an understanding of the impact of domestic abuse on both adults and children, the additional barriers which victims from minoritised communities may face reporting and accessing support, training on completing the Domestic Abuse Stalking Harassment and Honour Based Abuse (DASH) risk assessment, an understanding of Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) and more.

**Domestic Abuse and Adult Safeguarding** - provides an understanding of the links between adult safeguarding and domestic abuse and the impact of domestic abuse on adults with care and support needs.

**Child to Parent Abuse** provides an understanding of the impact of domestic abuse on children, the patterns of behaviours involved in child to parent abuse and how to respond to parents as victims of child to parent abuse.

**Forced Marriage and Honour Based Abuse** - provides an understanding of the potential motives and triggers of Forced Marriage and Honour Base Abuse and how to respond and support victims subjected to this abuse.

**Details of the booking instructions for the training including the learning outcomes can be found via the link <https://training.sandwellscb.org.uk/events-list?c=74>**



**National online training available. (N.B. There may be a small charge for this training – please check before registering)**



AVA are a leading UK charity committed to ending gender-based violence and abuse. Providing interactive training online and e-learning courses available at <http://www.elearning.avaproject.org.uk/>. These include:

## **Children's voices in Domestic Homicide Reviews**

This e-learning has been created by [AAFDA](#), a specialist charity for families who have been affected by a death involving domestic abuse. Together we want to encourage you to think about how children and young people you are working with can have a voice in a Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) in the wake of losing a parent.

## **Complicated Matters: Domestic and Sexual Violence, Problematic Substance Use and Mental Distress**

Domestic and sexual violence, problematic substance use and mental distress are three issues which often co-exist and when they do, things can become complicated. This course is designed to 'uncomplicate' matters by raising your awareness about how the three issues interlink. This course has been developed alongside a toolkit for professionals who work with victims or perpetrators of domestic and sexual violence who are also affected by problematic substance use and/or mental distress. You will find links to the toolkit throughout the course. Otherwise, you can download the full toolkit [here](#).



## **[SafeLives](#)**

SafeLives, is a national charity dedicated to ending domestic abuse. SafeLives have developed the SafeLives Community which enables communication with other professionals working with domestic abuse in a time efficient and convenient way. SafeLives Community Platform is a place where you can connect, chat and share information with other professionals.

Please see registration page link - [SafeLives Community](#)

Please note SafeLives require your **professional** email address when registering.

The Community Platform also provides information and links to Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) online learning, webinar recordings and an Ask an Expert Forum section.



## Access to Free Online Counter Terrorism Training Made Easy

Counter Terrorism Police internationally - renowned, online training for the public to access from home. The ACT (Action Counters Terrorism) Awareness e - Learning course is now available [here](#). Get the latest advice from security experts and there's a simplified registration system so anyone wanting to take part can help keep the UK safe.

It takes just 45 minutes to work through the six sections and can be done on a personal or work computer, laptop or tablet – all in one session or one module at a time. It explains how to spot the signs of suspicious behaviour and what to do to help yourself, others and the emergency responders if a terror attack should take place.

Counter Terrorism Policing also want to let the public know about a website they might find useful during the lockdown period. During this difficult time, we are all becoming more reliant on communicating online, but take the time to make yourself aware of the dangers and where you can access help. If you are worried about a friend or relative, and want to find out more, go to the [Let's Talk About It](#) #Prevent website.

Every year thousands of reports from the public help police tackle the terrorist threat. If you see or hear something that doesn't seem right, trust your instincts and ACT by reporting to police in confidence at [gov.uk/ACT](https://gov.uk/ACT) or by calling the Anti-Terrorist Hotline on 0800 789 321.

Reporting won't ruin lives, but it could save them. Action Counters Terrorism.

**Please note, this account is not monitored 24/7 so if you need to report something please contact 999 in an emergency. If it is not an emergency please [click here](#) to visit our website and speak to an adviser on live chat between 8am – midnight (Monday – Sunday). Call 101 outside these hours.**

## HM Government

**Prevent** is about safeguarding and supporting those vulnerable to radicalisation. Prevent is 1 of the 4 elements of **CONTEST**, the Government's counter-terrorism strategy. It aims to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.

**Prevent E – learning** : <https://www.support-people-vulnerable-to-radicalisation.service.gov.uk/>

The Home Office [Prevent E-Learning](#) introduces learners to the Prevent Duty and explains some of the key aims and terms. There are Case Studies to choose from and you are able to choose the learning related to you and your area of work. The E-learning is much like our current staff and partner WRAP/Prevent training as it looks at identifying vulnerabilities and changes in behaviour. We would like to promote all staff complete the Prevent E-Learning if they haven't done so already.



