

SAFEGUARDING ADULTS RISK MANAGEMENT PANEL



CONTEXT

- The person (P) who it is alleged has been abused must
- Be 18 years and over and
- Have a mental or other disability and be unable to protect themselves or
- Be unable to protect themselves because of age or illness

And

- It is alleged that an incident/s of abuse has/have occurred or is/are likely to occur
- Between someone who is in position of power and P (this may be another service user)

And

It's impact on P is such that it has caused or could cause significant harm



CASES THE PANEL WILL CONSIDER

People who place themselves and/or others at risk where:

- No other panel exists that has the remit to consider the case
- The council and partners have statutory duties towards them but do not have powers to intervene at that point in time
- Neither the council nor its partners have statutory duties towards them



Examples of types of cases that will be considered

- People who hoard
- People who self-neglect
- People who make unwise decisions
- People who do not engage with services
- People who fall between the gaps of services
- People who seek assistance from several agencies and are turned away
- People who persistently attend a particular service and are deemed to be ineligible for support
- People who are ineligible for services
- People at risk from their families that don't meet the threshold for MARAC or Adult Safeguarding



The Panel

Co-chaired by Head of Provider services in the Council and The Police Core panel consists of:

- Safeguarding Adults and MCA Liaison Team Member
- First Response Service Manager LBTH
- Senior Management/Clinical Lead in Mental Health
- Senior Manager/Clinical Lead in Community Health
- Senior Representation from Housing
- Minute Taker
- All panel members will be engaged as required



Referrals

- Must demonstrate that all available avenues have been explored
- All assessments must be made available to the panel
- A multi agency conference has been convened or attempts have been made to convene such a conference
- Must be sent to the Safeguarding Adults Team two weeks before the panel convenes



Key Points

- This is not a panel that will deal with emergencies
- The Safeguarding Team is available to advise on issues of risk during working hours and the emergency duty team outside of these hours
- The panel cannot consider cases where a person lacks capacity to make the decision from which risk ensues as a separate legal process applies
- The panel will consider cases related to any capacitated vulnerable adult even where the definition does not meet the statutory guidance of No Secrets provided that the criteria for referral to the panel is met