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Christine’s research and publications on Transitional safeguarding include:

* Cocker, C & Cooper, A (2022) Transitional Safeguarding: Opportunities to Improve Safeguarding Practices with Young People, Practice, DOI: 10.1080/09503153.2021.1979505
* Wallace, M & Cocker, C (2022) Following the Death of Ms A: A Local Authority Response to Transitional Safeguarding, Practice, DOI: 10.1080/09503153.2021.1976130
* Cocker, C., Cooper, A., and Holmes, D. (2021) Transitional safeguarding: Transforming how adolescents and young adults are safeguarded. British Journal of Social Work. Available at: https://academic.oup.com/bjsw/advance-article/doi/10.1093/bjsw/bcaa238/6102523?guestAccessKey=78b38361-28be-48b8-b591-9f2edff7fff4
* Cocker, C., Cooper, A, Holmes D, and Bateman F. (2021) Transitional Safeguarding: Presenting the case for developing Making Safeguarding Personal for Young People. Journal of Adult Protection 23(3), pp. 144-157 https://doi.org/10.1108/JAP-09-2020-0043

Christine has also published a number of books, with her text about ‘social work with looked after children’ (Sage) now in its third edition. She is currently working on an edited volume about ‘rethinking feminism for social work practice’ (Palgrave), due to be published in 2022. Her first book about Transitional safeguarding (with Dez Holmes and Adi Cooper is due out in 2023 (Policy press)

A list of Christine’s publications is available at: <https://people.uea.ac.uk/christine_cocker>