

Self Neglect & Adult Safeguarding

Responding to Self-Neglect & Hoarding

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"Self-neglect is often hidden from view and can lead to life changing social and health concerns which can sometimes be fatal." **Professor Michael Preston-Shoot, Professor Emeritus at Bedfordshire University, 2018**

"Self Neglect covers a wide range of behaviour neglecting to care for one's personal hygiene, health or surrounding and includes behaviour such as hoarding. It is important to consider capacity when self-neglect is suspected. Also consider how it may impact on other family members and whether this gives rise to a safeguarding concern." **NHS England**

"Self-neglect is an extreme lack of self-care, it is sometimes associated with hoarding and may be a result of other issues such as addictions. Practitioners in the community, from housing officers to social workers, police and health professionals can find working with people who self-neglect extremely challenging. The important thing is to try to engage with people, to offer all the support we are able to without causing distress, and to understand the limitations to our interventions if the person does not wish to engage." **SCIE 2018**

This conference which features extended interactive masterclass focuses on the difficult issue of self neglect and adult safeguarding and includes an extended focus on hoarding. Through national updates, practical case studies and extended interactive group work the conference will cover self neglect under the Care Act 2014, meeting the statutory safeguarding guidance, safeguarding people who self neglect: the evidence and what works, developing guidance for professionals when dealing with self neglect and resistance to engage with services, an extended session on hoarding, and an extended session on dealing with the underlying causes of self neglect working in partnership with service user in a multidisciplinary way.

The conference will provide an opportunity to:

- Understand the latest evidence about what works in managing self neglect
- Understand the meaning and significance of the self-neglect, taking account of the individual's life experience
- Learn and reflect on serious case reviews involving self neglect
- Communicate about risks and options with honesty and openness, particularly where coercive action is a possibility
- Understand hoarding behaviour and the psychological / mental health issues associated with Hoarding
- Share experiences and learning with other colleagues around working on difficult self-neglect cases through interactive facilitated group work
- Self assess and improve your local guidance for professionals when dealing with self-neglect and resistance to engage with services
- Reflect on professional decision making with regard to capacity and unwise decisions vs unacceptable risk?
- Explore responses to Hoarding and how this fits with in the self neglect safeguarding response
- Understand issues of Mental Capacity, Choice and Autonomy when responding to self neglect concerns and resistance to service engagement

Quotes from the last event on this subject whereby 100% of delegates would recommend the event to a colleague:

"Excellent, huge learning opportunity"

"Excellent, very good, engaging, expert content"

"Well informed speakers addressed all the issues and dilemmas – excellent"

"Great conference, really helped me think about the way patients are treated – will inform practice"

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10.00 Chair's Introduction: Safeguarding people who self neglect: What Works?

Suzy Braye

*Emerita Professor of Social Work
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This session will draw on evidence from the presenter's research (with David Orr and Michael Preston-Shoot) into effective practice in self-neglect; it will consider:

- the range and scope of self-neglect work nationally
- the challenges experienced in practice
- what goes wrong – findings from safeguarding adult reviews in cases of self-neglect
- what goes right - service users' and practitioners' perspectives on approaches that support positive outcomes
- effective interagency working in self-neglect
- making safeguarding personal & self neglect

11.00 Looking out for the hidden signs of Self Neglect

Shirley Williams

Independent Chair, Safeguarding Adults Board, Warrington Borough Council, and Partner, Social Care Can Do Partners

- learning from a safeguarding adults review into the death of a 75-year-old man who died as a result of self-neglect, despite a long history of involvement of health and care professionals
- what we have changed as a result of the review
- our experience in Warrington

11.30 Question and answers, followed by tea & coffee

11.50 EXTENDED SESSION: Developing shared professional understandings of self-neglect and multi-agency interventions.

Speaker to be announced

This session will use small group work to explore how the different agencies who may be involved in self-neglect cases could change the way they work together to improve outcomes for people who self-neglect. Using findings from the research so far, participants will have the opportunity to contribute ideas and to reflect on their own practice in working alongside other agencies, in this complex area of work.

12.35 Self Neglect in Older Adults: Evidence and Implications for Practice

Dr Mary Rose Day

*Nurse Consultant
School of Nursing and Midwifery
University of Cork*

- antecedents and risk factors for Self-Neglect
- learn and reflect using an Ethical Decision Making Framework
- overview of a Self-Neglect assessment tool
- case summary of self neglect
- professional issues and challenges

13.10 Question and answers, followed by Lunch at 13.15

EXTENDED FOCUS: HOARDING AND SAFEGUARDING

13.50 Understanding Hoarding Behaviour

Heather Matuozzo

*Director, Clouds End CIC
(Clouds End is a social enterprise for individuals, social services, housing associations, landlords, Primary Care Trusts – in fact anyone who needs to tackle hoarding situations that are creating problems)*

- understanding hoarding disorder
- intervention, identification and support
- understanding the psychological/mental health issues associated with Hoarding

14.30 EXTENDED INTERACTIVE SESSION Hoarding and safeguarding: Professional and practice issues

Megan Karnes

*Director
Hoarding UK*

- hoarding and risk issues relating to hoarding
- preventing the escalation of hoarding
- supporting the hoarder to address underlying cases of hoarding
- supporting the person to change hoarding behaviours
- understanding the psychological / mental health issues associated with hoarding
- our experience and lessons from a serious case review

15.15 Questions and answers, followed by Tea & Coffee at 15.25

15.35 EXTENDED SESSION: Issues of Mental Capacity, Choice and Autonomy when responding to self neglect concerns and resistance to service engagement

Andy Butler

*Principal Social Worker (Adults)
Surrey County Council*

Based on a contemporary case example and recent case law this session will explore professional issues and challenges relating to

- unwise decisions vs unacceptable risk?
- mental capacity assessments in self neglect cases
- balancing individual rights to self-determination with our statutory duties to manage risk and safeguard adults who have needs for care and support
- whose decision is it anyway?

17.00 Questions and answers, followed by close

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