

# Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults in Mental Health Services

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*Chief Executive*  
Mental Health Network

**Pete Morgan**  
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**Andy Butler**  
*Principal Social Worker (Adults)*  
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*“Safeguarding means protecting people’s health, wellbeing and human rights, and enabling them to live free from harm, abuse and neglect. It’s fundamental to high-quality health and social care.”*

*Care Quality Commission 2016*

The aims of personalised safeguarding as outlined by NHS England are:

- A personalised approach that enables safeguarding to be done with, “not to”, people
- Practice that focuses on achieving meaningful improvement to people’s circumstances rather than just on ‘investigation’ and ‘conclusion’
- To prevent harm and reduce the risk of abuse or neglect to adults with care and support needs.
- To safeguard individuals in a way that support them in making choices and having control in how they choose to live their lives.
- To promote an outcomes approach in safeguarding that works for people resulting in the best experience possible.
- To raise public awareness so that professionals, other staff and communicates as a whole play their part in preventing, identifying and responding to abuse and neglect.

This conference focuses on safeguarding vulnerable adults in mental health services. Through national updates and practical case studies the conference will update delegates on making safeguarding personal in mental health services, ensuring compliance with the Care Act, acting and escalating safeguarding concerns, training and educating frontline staff and ensuring effective partnership working. The conference will also include an extended legal update session, a focus on Mental Capacity, Choice and Autonomy in safeguarding, complex safeguarding around self neglect cases and the importance of learning from safeguarding investigations to ensure improvement.

*“Overall our ratings suggest that care for people with mental health problems is not good enough and needs to be improved...In particular, the safety of patients in NHS trusts remains an area of concern” Care Quality Commission 2016*

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## 10.00 Chairman's introduction: Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults in Mental Health Services

**Sean Duggan**

*Chief Executive*  
Mental Health Network

## 10.10 What do we mean by 'Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults' in Mental Health Services?

**Pete Morgan**

*Chair*  
PASAUK

The session will consider:

- what do we mean by 'safeguarding'?
- some implications of the Care Act for mental health services
- the use of 'thresholds'
- some key issues around safeguarding for mental health services
- the difference between safeguarding and quality assurance

## 10.40 Service user perspectives on safeguarding in mental health

**Paul Scates**

*Senior Peer Specialist*  
Campaigner and Ambassador

- the safeguarding system: does it work for people with mental health problems?
- how does it feel to be on the receiving end of a safeguarding alert in mental health?
- increasing involvement and empowerment for service users

11.10 Questions & answers, followed by tea & coffee at 11.20

## 11.50 EXTENDED SESSION: The legal basis for safeguarding in mental health services

**Simon Robinson**

*Barrister*  
5 Paper Chambers

- the legal basis for safeguarding vulnerable adults with mental health problems
- a legal update for safeguarding leads: implication of the Care Act
- capacity issues and best interests assessments
- deprivation of liberty and safeguarding: implications of the Law Commission Review
- safeguarding vulnerable adults from restrictive practices
- ensuring the legal use of control and restraint
- documentation and report writing

12.50 Questions & answers, followed by Lunch at 13.00

## 14.00 EXTENDED SESSION: Mental Capacity, Choice and Autonomy in safeguarding

**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?

## 14.45 Initiating and acting on safeguarding concerns

**Paul Sibun**

*Director*  
Backstay Consulting

- ensuring effective local processes for managing safeguarding concerns
- developing training and education for staff
- empowering individuals in decision making
- our experience

15.15 Questions & answers, followed by tea & coffee at 15.25

## 15.50 Training and educating frontline staff in effective safeguarding practice and empowering frontline staff to issue safeguarding concerns

**Nick Rudling**

*Deputy Safeguarding Lead*  
NHS England South (South West)

- training and educating frontline staff: empowering clinicians to issue safeguarding concerns when concerns arise
- ensuring frontline staff understand the process for issuing concerns
- analysing the alerts we have seen
- managing the decision as to whether safeguarding procedures should be invoked
- managing and learning from concerns that do not proceed to safeguarding procedures

## 16.20 Escalating safeguarding concerns: Working in partnership

**Angela Halsted**

*Adult Safeguarding*  
Central North West London NHS Foundation Trust

- escalating and acting on safeguarding concerns and incidents
- recognising patterns of abuse: learning from Winterbourne
- working in partnership to minimise risk
- the role of the Safeguarding Adults Board
- the differences and confusions between enquiries, investigations, interventions and assessments in safeguarding adults

16.50 Questions & answers, followed by close at 17.00

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**Date** Tuesday 25 April 2017

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