



Safeguarding Bulletin

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Our quarterly Safeguarding Bulletin has been released in January, April, July and October every year since 1992.

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"Hello and a happy new year to you all! Welcome to the latest Ann Craft Trust Safeguarding Adults Bulletin, our first of 2025.

"January is often a time of reflection and resolution. I've been reflecting on the previous 12 months.

"My reflections have left me feeling proud to work for this fantastic organisation. The Ann Craft Trust does so much good to strengthen safeguarding adults arrangements across the many organisations we support, through informing research, providing advice and expert opinion to government departments, and developing resources for all to access.

"My personal resolution meanwhile, is simple: I resolve to do even more of the things that help us achieve our vision at the Ann Craft Trust that we can stop the abuse of all adults through raising awareness, building understanding, and working in partnership.

"After a short rest, ensuring we remember the importance of our wellbeing, plans are well under way for Safeguarding Adults Week 2025. We're determined to make it as successful as last year's event!

"It's not too late to give your views on the safeguarding subjects you'd like us to focus on this year. So please take five minutes to complete the [Safeguarding Adults Week 2025 survey](#).

"I've found this bulletin to be one of the most interesting ever, with some fascinating feature articles. I hope they help you reflect and make some resolutions of your own about how you're going to commit to safeguard adults throughout 2025 and beyond. Happy reading!"

Stuart Sale
CEO, Ann Craft Trust



SAFEGUARDING ADULTS WEEK

17 – 21 NOVEMBER 2025

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We're already making plans for Safeguarding Adults Week 2025!

Safeguarding Adults Week 2025 will take place 17 - 21 November, and our annual Safeguarding Adults Conference will take place in Nottingham on Wednesday 19 November.

This is your last chance to share your thoughts! Take our short survey and let us know what sort of safeguarding topics you'd like us to cover this year. This will also inform the sessions and speakers we book for our conference.

[Take Our 2025 Safeguarding Adults Week Survey](#)

Sign up for Safeguarding Adults Week 2025 Email Updates!

During Safeguarding Adults Week 2025, we'll be collaborating with our partners to explore a different safeguarding theme each day. The themes will encourage us to consider how we can work together to establish safer cultures within our workplaces and communities.

We will reveal this year's safeguarding themes in the coming weeks. We will produce and share resources relating to these themes in the months leading up to the week.

You can sign up to receive email updates below.

[Sign Up For Safeguarding Adults Week 2025 Updates](#)



Safeguarding Audit

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Supporting the development of a safeguarding culture in your organisation

Book a safeguarding audit for your organisation!

The purpose of a safeguarding audit is to help you understand how well your organisation is upholding its safeguarding adults commitment.

Lisa Curtis, Ann Craft Trust Deputy CEO and Head of Safeguarding Adults and Young People, has outlined who needs a safeguarding audit, when and why they might need it, and the key benefits that a safeguarding audit can bring to your organisation.

[Learn More About Ann Craft Trust Safeguarding Audits](#)

SAFEGUARDING ADULTS WEEK

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

18 TO 22 NOVEMBER 2024

Safeguarding Adults Week 2024 - Seminars, Presentations, Workshops

We ran a number of free online sessions throughout the week, including our Safeguarding Adults Conference in Nottingham.

We recorded as many of these sessions as we could. Below you can access short summaries of these sessions, including a number of the talks from our Safeguarding Adults Conference. Where possible, you can watch recordings of the sessions, and download the slides from the presentations.

[Read Summaries of Safeguarding Adults Week 2024 Seminars and Sessions](#)



Safeguarding Adults Week 2024 - Roundup of a Week of Activity

A brief summary of all the highlights of Safeguarding Adults Week 2024; including a look back at the events we put on throughout the week, an account of our 2024 Safeguarding Adults Conference in Nottingham, and some examples of the activity that took place across the UK.

Plus! Footage of Our Dementia Choir performing live at our Conference in Nottingham.

[Revisit the Safeguarding Adults Week 2024 Highlights](#)



Putting Fairness Informed Practice at the Heart of Safeguarding Adults With Learning Disabilities

Dr Gavin Hutchison, University of Bristol, introduces his PhD Social Policy thesis: An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis of the experiences of fairness amongst adults with learning disabilities when engaging with services responding to domestic violence and abuse.

This is an exploration of "fairness" in safeguarding. What does it mean to be "fair", and what does "fair treatment" look like? What is "Fairness Informed Practice", and how can it help the people we support?

[Read an Introduction to Fairness Informed Practice](#)

News & Resources Roundup

Would you like something featured in a future Roundup? Whether it's a new resource, a job vacancy, some research findings, or something else entirely, get in touch to tell us more.

- [Working with adults with dementia from minority ethnic backgrounds.](#) Advice from a Community Care Inform guide on providing culturally competent support.
- [Sundowning and dementia.](#) An introduction to "sundowning": Sometimes a person with dementia will behave in ways that are difficult to understand in the late afternoon or early evening.
- [Lessons from institutional safeguarding failures.](#) "The further you look back, the farther forward you can see."
- [Tackling inequalities in care for people with learning disabilities, and autistic people.](#) New guidance from SCIE.

- [Unhealthy culture leads to death.](#) Care plans "were not always followed by care staff".

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