

SAFEcic's April 2024 Safeguarding Newsletter

Spring has finally 'sprung' and brings with it some much needed sunshine and warmer weather. We welcome you, our subscribers to the latest SAFEcic Safeguarding Newsletter, highlighting newsworthy articles that made the headlines during April 2024.

News Highlights

In **Online Safety** we highlight the [National Crime Agency's urgent warning](#) about a dramatic increase in financially motivated sexual extortion, plus we outline the [new law](#) that will mean offenders who create sexually explicit 'deepfakes' will face prosecution.

Elsewhere, this month's highlights include [updates to the Victims and Prisoners Bill](#) and [Prevent Duty training and guidance for practitioners](#).

In the **Regulators** section there are important [updates from the General Medical Council](#), the [Information Commissioner's Office](#), the [Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health](#), in addition to news stories from the [Charity Commission](#) and the [Care Quality Commission](#)

Finally, we round off last month's news round-up with the government's announcement to make it easier for police to apply for [stalking protection orders](#) meaning more victims will be protected earlier.

Popular Products 'Spotlight'

1 Safeguarding Supervision for Educators

Educational establishments will benefit significantly from SAFEcic's best practice Safeguarding Supervision, which is aimed at educators and designed to enhance outcomes for children. Supervision fosters a culture of mutual support, teamwork and continuous improvement, encouraging reflection and confidential discussion of sensitive issues.

Supervision typically takes 1.5 hours and pricing includes a follow up. Supervision can be delivered live online or face to face (plus additional travel/accommodation expenses) for individuals and groups of up to 5 people, at a suitable time within your schedule. It is delivered by a trained safeguarding supervisor, with extensive experience of safeguarding in educational settings. [Find out more or book a Supervision Session](#)

2 Safeguarding Rapid Review Service

SAFEcic's Rapid Review Service is a proven, cost-effective and efficient way for busy managers, directors and trustees across many sectors (including Ofsted, CQC and Charity Commission regulated organisations) to gain external, expert insight and support to help their organisation attain the highest level of safeguarding culture, policy, procedures and practice.

A Rapid Review takes just two hours of management time via Zoom or Teams and the price includes preparation of a high-level assessment report and an action plan to efficiently and cost effectively address any identified issues. [Find out more or book a Rapid Review](#)

For the rest of the April news please scroll down.

Newsletter Sign-Up

If your colleagues wish to receive this newsletter they can join our database [here](#).

Training Schedule

Our latest training schedule is listed below and feel free to share this email with your colleagues and they too can join our newsletter database.

Latest Blended Learning Course Dates

Safer Recruitment Training - Online course plus 2 hour live online training – [Calendar Dates](#)

Safeguarding : Trustees' Legal Responsibilities - Online course plus a 1.5 hour live Zoom session. – [Calendar Dates](#)

Standard Child and Adult Safeguarding - Online course plus a 1.5 hour live Zoom session -

[Calendar Dates](#)

Leading on Child and Adult Safeguarding - Online course plus a 1.5 hour live Zoom session -

[Calendar Dates](#)

Managing and Leading on International Safeguarding - Online course plus a 1.5 hour live Zoom session - [Calendar Dates](#)

Online Training Courses

SAFEcic provides a range of [online training courses](#) available to users on a 24 x 7 x 365 basis.

Face to Face Training and Safeguarding Audit Services

SAFEcic is also accepting many more bookings for its [face to face](#) safeguarding training and [audit services](#).

DBS Checks

SAFEcic provides [DBS Check applications](#) and administration.

Free Resource Hubs by Setting

SAFEcic Free [Resource Hubs](#)

Safeguarding News Round Up April 2024

Legislation

New legislation will provide extra protections for victims' counselling notes during criminal investigations. [Read more...](#)

Good Practice Guidance

1 The Prevent Duty in higher education (HE): training and guidance for practitioners was updated on 2 April 2024. This update had added a link to 'Explaining Prevent to staff and students in higher education'. [Read more...](#)

2 Information sharing advice for safeguarding practitioners Guidance updated to provide greater clarity on the use of consent and the legal frameworks needed to support the sharing of information.. [Read more...](#)

Inquiry and Review Reports

1 The Child Safeguarding Review Panel recommend those involved in safeguarding practice read a fascinating research article about the different (and sometimes competing) functions of safeguarding reviews. It will, they are sure, prompt good thinking and reflection on their approaches to such reviews. [Read more...](#)

2 Caldey Island historical child sex abuse review announced. [Read more...](#)

3 Dame Christine Gilbert to lead independent review into Ofsted's response to Ruth Perry tragedy. [Read more...](#)

Research Reports, Consultations, Campaigns and Studies

1 Safeguarding Children in Schools and Colleges: A call for Evidence. [Read more...](#)

2 Should the law change to make it easier for organisations to apologise? [Read more...](#)

Regulators

1 **General Medical Council** decision makers given more flexibility in cases where there is a low risk to public protection. [Read more..](#)

2 **Information Commissioner's Office** sets out priorities to protect children's privacy online. [Read more..](#)

3 **Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health** responds to publication of the final report from the Cass Review. [Read more..](#)

4 **Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health** Executive Summary published on [SAFEcic.co.uk](#) on Wednesday 17 April 2024. [Read more..](#)

5 **Charity Commission** inquiry into Jamia Hanfia Ghosia Mosque and Princess Street Resource Centre finds former trustees failed to hold trustee elections. [Read more..](#)

6 **Care Quality Commission** investigation into Sure Care (UK) Limited results in it being

ordered to pay £37,000 for failing to protect a resident from harm. [Read more..](#)

Online Safety

1 NCA issues urgent warning about financially motivated sexual extortion. [Read more...](#)

2 Government cracks down on Offenders who create sexually explicit 'deepfakes'. [Read more...](#)

3 New laws to protect consumers from cyber criminals come into force in the UK. [Read more...](#)

4 Abuse hotline, Internet Watch Foundation (IWF), sees most extreme year on record and calls for immediate action to protect very young children online. [Read more...](#)

The Reasons to Remain Vigilant

Hospital nurse stole from vulnerable patients . [Read more...](#)

And Finally

The government has announced measures making it easier for police to apply for stalking protection orders, meaning more victims will be protected earlier. [Read more...](#)

That's it for this month's summary. We hope you found this newsletter beneficial and until next month, stay SAFE!

If there is anything else you think SAFEcic could do to offer ongoing support please do let us know

Stay SAFE.

The SAFEcic Team.

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