



Welcome to the WSSCB Email Bulletin August 2018



We have had an excellent response to our Have Your Say Survey around **Modern Slavery**. Thank you to those who have taken the time to complete this. To ensure we get as many returns as possible the closing date for this has now been extended to 17th August. So if you haven't yet completed this, please take 5 minutes and click [here](#) to view the survey. Thank you!

Get ready!

We are busy working with the West Sussex Safeguarding Adult Board and the WSCC Community Safety teams to plan for **Safeguarding month** this November! This will be a month of learning and development opportunities for professionals working with children, young people and vulnerable adults across West Sussex. There will be an extensive programme of events to attend, which will be published mid-September. Why not get involved and use Safeguarding month as an opportunity to share key safeguarding messages within your own organisation? This could be with children and young people, parents or fellow team members. We would love to hear what you have planned!! So get in touch by simply pressing reply to this email!

The request for support for professionals form used to refer children into the **MASH** has been **adapted** and now provides a space for workers to say whether they have completed a Neglect Identification Measurement Tool (NIMT) if there are concerns around neglect. This is designed to be a prompt and not a barrier. If professionals are worried about neglect and have not completed a NIMT their referral **will** still be accepted as before. It is hoped that including this prompt will raise awareness of the NIMT and encourage more professionals to include NIMTs as part of the referral process when raising concerns around neglect. Click [here](#) to view the link to this adapted form.





With the holidays now in full swing, many families are planning last minute getaways. Share some important information around how to stay safe on **holiday** by clicking [here](#).



Have you seen our ever growing collection of **Briefing slides and Factsheets**? These are on a range of safeguarding topics and are designed to raise awareness and promote discussion during supervisions and team meetings. Click [Here](#) to see the various topics available. We are currently developing more to add to this page so keep an eye out for more resources to inform your practice.



Are you aware of any young people using **MDMA/ecstasy**? It would be good to have a conversation with them about the potential risks. Click [here](#) to view the poster, which includes photographs, support advice and contact details.



Do you have any information you think would be useful to share with others? Please let me know by emailing the information to lucy.short@westsussex.gov.uk

Kind Regards,

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