



# Safeguarding in Education Newsletter Summer 2019



## Changes to Local Safeguarding Children Boards

You may be aware that new legislation (Children and Social Work Act 2017) dictates that all Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs), set up by local authorities in England, will be being replaced. With effect from 29th September 2019, Wigan Safeguarding Children Board will operate as Wigan Safeguarding Partnership. The new arrangements can be viewed [here](#). Under the new legislation, the three safeguarding partners (local authority, police, and clinical commissioning group) must make arrangements to work together with relevant agencies, as they consider appropriate. Contact details for WSCB will remain the same.



## NEW Draft : Keeping Children Safe in Education for September 2019

The government has published a draft of the statutory guidance, Keeping Children Safe in Education, to come into force in September 2019. This update is simply to ensure that the guidance is consistent with other areas of government policy. There are no core changes or new expectations and you need to do very little. You just need to ensure that any typographical changes are included in your safeguarding and child protection policy. The draft Keeping Children safe in Education for September 2019 can be downloaded [here](#):

## Poster - Keeping Children Safe in Education (Key Points)

It is important that everyone in schools, including visitors, volunteers and agency staff understand their role in safeguarding children and young people. Each person needs to have read and understood Keeping Children Safe in Education Part One. This downloadable poster will help people remember the key points and can be accessed [here](#).



## NEW Ofsted Education Inspection Framework



The new Ofsted Education Inspection Framework (EIF) for September 2019 has been published.

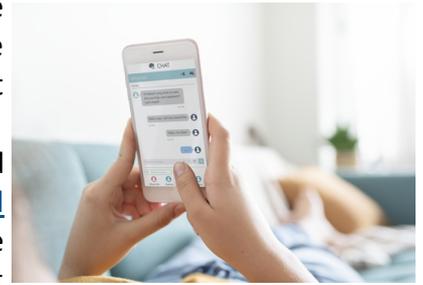
The new EIF has 4 judgements and included in this is **Personal Development** which specifically considers: British values; Spiritual, moral, social and cultural development; Relationships and sex education; Health education, including safety and Mental health awareness and support.

The new framework also considers how the behaviour of learners is being managed and the alternative strategies schools have to exclusion and evidence that schools are taking account of any safeguarding risks to pupils who may be excluded.

Where pupils are attending off-site units, inspectors may visit units and assess safeguarding procedures, the quality of education and how effectively the unit helps to improve pupils' behaviour, learning and attendance. The Ofsted Education Inspection Framework for September 2019 documents can be found [here](#).

## NEW Teaching online safety in school (DfE, June 2019)

The government has published a new guidance document 'Teaching online safety in school (DfE, June 2019). The document outlines to schools the importance of helping children and young people not only use the internet safely, but also to give them opportunities to learn how to behave online. The guidance 'Teaching online safety in school' can be downloaded [here](#) and should be read in conjunction with [Education for a Connected World Framework](#) (UKCIS, 2018) which offers 'age specific advice about the online knowledge and skills that pupils should have the opportunity to develop at different stages of their lives.'



## Reducing the need for restraint and restrictive intervention

The Government has published guidance on reducing the need for restraint and restrictive intervention in special schools, health and social care settings. The guidance aims to help settings adopt a preventative approach to supporting children and young people whose behaviour challenges as a result of learning disabilities, autistic spectrum conditions or mental health difficulties. The guidance can be downloaded [here](#). Representatives from Greater Manchester Police, Diane Kitcher, the Wigan LADO and Wigan Education Team have also been busy developing a short training course on the use of restraint in educational settings. This will be available very soon and we will be in contact once it can be viewed on Virtual College.

## Obtaining References- IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR SAFER RECRUITMENT



An issue has recently been identified where a supply agency allowed teachers to enrol by obtaining references from a peer level colleague rather than a Head Teacher. Clearly, if there had been any particular concerns about the individual's suitability from a safeguarding perspective, this would be known only to the Headteacher or Human Resources Lead at the individual's previous school.

Whilst the responsibilities lie on the teaching supply agency, The Safer Recruitment Consortium advises that organisations obtain written assurance from agencies that the appropriate level of references and checks have been obtained which are in line with Safer Recruitment guidance. WSCB have produced a Fact Sheet to assist you in obtaining references, it can be viewed [here](#).

If you have any queries regarding Safer Recruitment then please email them to [WSCB@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:WSCB@wigan.gov.uk).

## Young Peoples Engagement Event 2019

Wigan Safeguarding Board and partners are delighted to invite a number of your pupils in Years 8 and 9 to take part in the young people's engagement event, being held on Tuesday 24th September 2019 at Central Park in Wigan (10am-3pm).

The event is aimed at promoting good life choices to build resilience and wellbeing. A number of interactive activities, delivered by a range of partners, will be taking place. These activities will be based around three themes: Health, Social and Education. Pupils will also hear from motivational speakers. Essential Safeguarding Ltd will also be bringing their 'Real Lives' drama performance to the event. There will be a prize draw to win local rugby and football match day tickets.

Look out for the flyer which will be circulated via our social media pages. Alternatively, to book places email Annette Aiken (WSAB/WSCB Senior Policy, Communications and Engagement Officer) [a.aiken@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:a.aiken@wigan.gov.uk)

