

WBSAB



Western Bay Safeguarding Adult Board (WB SAB)

Multi Agency Monitoring Panel (Escalating Concerns) Sub Group

Terms of Reference

The Western Bay Safeguarding Adults Board has a key role in monitoring the application of “Escalating Concerns With, and Closures of, Care Homes Providing Services for Adults” Protocol issued under section 7 of the Local Authority Social Services Act 1970 and sections 12 and 19 of the National Health Services (Wales) Act 2006, across the LA areas of Swansea, NPT and Bridgend.

Aims

- To monitor activity across the 3 Local Authorities (LAs) within the Western Bay region in relation to Escalating Concerns.
- To co-ordinate senior regional response to high risk providers, business continuity and safeguarding issues in the Western Bay region
- To monitor action plans and performance frameworks across the 3 LAs within the Western Bay region.
- To look at themes of strategic issues across the 3 LAs within the Western Bay region which will then be fed back to the WB SAB.
- To ensure the consistency of policy and practice throughout the 3 LAs within the Western Bay region.

Objectives

- To be the mechanism by which the Local Authority Monitoring Panels can share information regarding the application of the Escalating Concerns Protocol in the local areas.
- To provide a rapid regional response to escalating concerns issues which have implications wider than one Authority area and would benefit from business continuity and safeguarding activity on a Western Bay footprint.

- To oversee the use of Escalating Concerns procedures across the Western Bay area of Swansea, Neath Port Talbot, and Bridgend.
- To facilitate active working together between partner agencies to manage providers who are at high risk of entering the escalating concerns processes.
- To coordinate and share common themes identified by JIMPs and HOSGs in order to improve assessments and decision making across the Western Bay area.
- To develop a strategy to address common themes identified by JIMP's and HOSG's e.g. via targeted training; how representative organisations such as the LHB and district nurses can provide support to establishment etc

Role and Function

- To quality assure decisions made by Home Operation Service Groups (HOSGs) and Joint Interagency Monitoring Panels (JIMPs) – retrospectively if necessary.
- To highlight the performance, policy, practice, common themes, and strategic issues in regards to escalating concerns within the 3 LAs within the Western Bay region.
- To have an understanding of individual roles and responsibly along with an understanding of other agencies.
- To provide a forum for leading and co-ordinating regional escalating concerns issues.

Membership

- Claire Marchant – Chair of the Multi Agency Monitoring Panel (Escalating Concerns) Sub Group.
- Contracting Principal Officers from the 3 LAs within the Western Bay region.
- A member from the Safeguarding teams across the different agencies from the 3 LAs within the Western Bay region.
- Adult Protection Coordinators.
- A representative from CSSIW.
- Long term care leads from ABMU

Meetings

The meetings should be held 3 weeks before the WBSAB meeting and more frequently when required to respond to particular escalating concerns issues.