Ealing Safeguarding Adults Board

Effectiveness Subgroup



Terms of Reference

Purpose

Whilst every sub-group is expected to understand performance and assurance within its own remit, detailed multi-agency performance scrutiny across and within the system should take place in the Safeguarding Effectiveness sub-group. With responsibility for implementing the Safeguarding Effectiveness Framework, this Subgroup will bring together a range of evidence, including performance data, assurance regarding providers and concerns, it will support agencies to complete audits and develop multi agency audit activity. It will report to the Executive and to the Board as appropriate.

Information will be received from other sub-groups and agencies in the form of assurance reports, and areas for learning will be passed through to training and development or support learning events delivered by the partnership.

Accountability

The Subgroup is accountable to the Executive Group of the ESAB and will report to the Executive Group through the Chair of the Safeguarding Effectiveness Subgroup.

The Chair of the Subgroup when required will provide update reports to the Executive Group highlighting work plan progress and any problems encountered with implementing actions.

Functions

- Specify and receive performance reports and information from partners in relation to the ESAB core business including:
 - o Performance indicators in an agreed collated data set.
 - Performance reports and audits carried out within agencies along with key learning points.
 - Collate and complete multi agency audits.
 - Support to Practitioner events to discuss these areas.
- Analyse this information in order to:
 - o Report on performance across partner agencies.
 - Identify areas of good practice and quality.
 - o Identify areas of concern or gaps in service provision.

- Ensure concerns or gaps in service provision are understood so action can be taken to rectify them.
- Understand the impact that services have in improving outcomes
- Promote continuous improvement in safeguarding and share examples of learning in order to cascade and enhance improvement with other Subgroups and wider partners.
- Encourage the development and identification of best practice, trends and patterns. In turn, promote proactive and innovative thinking regarding future demand.
- Contribute to and work in accordance with the ESAB Business Plan.
- Facilitate the sharing of information, data, audit and service reviews to aid agencies to evaluate if they are effective in safeguarding adults.
- Monitor member agencies effectiveness in terms of their work to safeguard and promote welfare of adults.
- Summarise and extract key points from inspection reports and ensure this is implemented by monitoring action plans
- Respond on behalf of the partnership, to safeguarding issues raised in inspectorate reports.
- Be adult focused and to have regard to the Principles set out in the Care Act
- Involve multi-agency practitioners in priority setting, monitoring and improvement.

Membership

- The membership of this Subgroup will be periodically updated to ensure that it includes the right expertise.
- The Subgroup will comprise of partnership members.
- Members of the Subgroup must have sufficient knowledge and skills to set, monitor and audit quality standards and who have these responsibilities within their organisation.

Meetings

To be considered quorate, meetings must have representatives from at least three statutory agencies.

The meeting agenda and papers will be circulated 5 working days in advance of the meeting.