



Safeguarding is everyone's business



## Keeping Young People Safe On-line

If you work directly with children and young people the Safe Schools & Communities Team (SSCT) are offering:

**Online Safety Training for Professionals** - This course is aimed at professionals working with children of primary and secondary age, but especially relevant to those with safeguarding responsibilities and/or those designated as E-safety champions. Available dates: **21<sup>st</sup> November 2016, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017 and 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**CEOP THINKUKNOW - Training 26 Jan 2017** - The CEOP Command's THINKUKNOW programme provides resources, training and support for professionals who work directly with children and young people. The course is run by CEOP-trained Ambassadors.

Course information, training dates and venues are available via [CPD On-Line](#). In the keyword search

box use “CEOP” or “Online Safety Training” or use the dates above in the calendar available

If you have any queries contact the SSCT at [ssct@dorset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ssct@dorset.pnn.police.uk)

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Mental Capacity Act 2005



## Mental Capacity Act (2005)

The Mental Capacity Act (2005) is an important piece of legislation designed to both empower and protect vulnerable people aged 16 years and over who are unable to make some or all decisions for themselves.

The Act's five statutory principles are the benchmark and must underpin all acts carried out and decisions taken in relation to the Act.

Despite the Mental Capacity Act being in force since 2007 there still often remains a lack of understanding regarding the legal framework and how this is implemented. It is therefore useful to reflect and ensure the principles of the act are consistently applied in practice. [This link](#) provides a clear overview of the key messages of the Act

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## NSPCC launches PANTS song and animation to help protect children from sexual abuse



You may remember that the NSPCC launched the PANTS campaign three years ago to provide support to parents to enable them to talk to their children about staying safe without even having to use the term sexual abuse. The campaign is based on a Council of Europe initiative called The Underwear Rule and

developed this to form the PANTS acrostic with each letter representing a safety message:

P – Privates are private

A – Always remember your body belongs to you

N – No means no

T – Talk about secrets that upset you

S - Speak up, someone can help.

Parents know it's an important conversation to have but don't always know how to go about it. The new child-friendly and catchy animation will hopefully act as a conversation starter helping parents to address the topic of sexual abuse.

Please consider ways in which you and your organisation can help promote the PANTS campaign. You can find more information on the [NSPCC website](#) or on [You Tube](#).

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## **Pan-Dorset Multi-Agency Safeguarding Children Procedures Update**

The Pan-Dorset Multi-Agency Safeguarding Children Procedures have been revised and updated this month. They apply to all staff working with children and young people in Dorset, Bournemouth and Poole and are written to help you understand what others are doing in their work with a child alongside the work that you are also delivering.

Please can you ensure that you read and respond to changes that may be relevant to the work you undertake and that you are registered for future updates on the website

To access a list of the changes made in this update [Click Here](#).

Why not register for future updates on the website by [Clicking here](#)

Why not print this and display it in staff areas of your setting?

To access a poster to display in your setting [Click Here](#)

Remember, to access the full procedures visit our [website](#). Save this as a favourite in your internet web browser so you can locate them easily

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## Sharing information – Adult Safeguarding

All partner agencies of both the Bournemouth and Poole and Dorset Safeguarding Adult Boards have signed an agreement specifying when to share personal information. The document balances the need of the Data Protection Act and safeguarding individuals.

The [Statutory Guidance to the Care Act](#) emphasizes the need to share information about safeguarding concerns at an early stage.

Click [here](#) to view the Board's Data Exchange Agreement.

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## Alcohol awareness week

The 2016 [Alcohol Awareness Week](#) will run from 14th to 20th November 2016. This year's theme is "Knowing the Risks".

The aim of Alcohol Awareness Week is to get people thinking about alcohol – how it affects us as individuals, families, communities and society as a whole.

Did you know that alcohol is linked to over 60 medical conditions? Harms from alcohol go much further than the liver, it can cause high blood pressure and is also linked to diabetes, depression and cancer.

Who can take part? **Anyone!** The week is a fantastic opportunity for many different organisations to take part.



The [Alcohol Education Trust](#) is a Dorset based charity that works with schools, parents and people who work with children to prevent underage drinking and help keep our young people safe around alcohol.

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## Pan-Dorset Safeguarding Children Training

As we move into our Autumn schedule of LSCBs safeguarding training, here are a few hints to help you access training when you need it and to ensure that all our courses run smoothly:

- You must book onto a course – please do not just turn up on the day as you may be turned away if the course is full. All course materials are now sent out electronically to people who have booked so you won't get the materials if you don't book!
- Popular courses book up quickly and it is advisable to book as far in advance as you can to ensure your place.
- Please note that your course confirmation, course materials and any messages regarding your course e.g. a change of time or venue will come from a **CPD on-line E mail** even if you booked via Nexus. Please check your junk/spam regularly for messages.
- Please make sure you sign in on the course – if you don't you might be marked as not attending.

For all LSCB course training queries please contact [lscbstraining@dorsetcc.gov.uk](mailto:lscbstraining@dorsetcc.gov.uk)

[The numbers you need to report a concern about a child](#)

[What to do if you suspect an adult is being harmed or abused](#)

If you would like to provide feedback or contribute to newsletter articles please email: [dorsetlscb@dorsetcc.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:dorsetlscb@dorsetcc.gcsx.gov.uk)

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