

Signs of Safety newsletter

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Signs of Safety training

On 24-28 June, signs of safety training took place for agencies in Knowsley and St Helens. This multi-agency training event was well attended and feedback from staff and agencies was very positive. Staff have started to embed signs of safety with families in their assessments. Feedback from the training included:-



“The training has inspired me to work positively with families, from a strength based perspective”

“Adopting the model has made me feel really positive.”

A further 5 day training session has been arranged for 28 October to 1 November – the venue is the Percival Room, Ruskin Drive, St Helens, WA10 6RP. Nominations can be made in agreement with your manager and then send your details to

Carol.Thomas@Knowsley.gov.uk

Referral form

The multi-agency referral form for professionals to complete when requesting level 3 or 4 intervention now reflects signs of safety. This has gone live and can be found on the Knowsley Children’s Safeguarding Board website – www.knowsleyscb.org.uk

Practitioners’ guide

A practitioners’ guide for Family First staff and social workers is currently being developed and will be shared in September 2019. The guide will be launched via two briefing sessions for staff at The venue in Huyton – one at 9.30am and the other at 2pm – on 24 September 2019.

Safeguarding Unit

When practitioners and partners attend Child Protection Case Conferences post-August, they will see a new agenda in circulation and the signs of safety language being used. I am happy to come along to your team or service meetings to explain signs of safety in more detail and what embedding it means for you and your service. You can contact me at Tracey.overs@knowsley.gov.uk

Signs of safety practice leads

There are currently 30 practice leads working across a number of agencies here in Knowsley. They are your first ‘port of call’ to help your to implement signs of safety in practice. If you don’t know who they are, please contact me.

