**Information correct as of 30 March 2020**

**Safeguarding key messages for Primary Care practitioners regarding children, young people and adults at risk of harm during COVID-19**

**Child protection conferences**

Both North Yorkshire and the City of York have produced guidance regarding business continuity for child protection conferences. This information is available via the Safeguarding Children Partnership websites.

North Yorkshire <https://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/>

City of York <https://www.saferchildrenyork.org.uk/>

**Updated guidance - Managing Injuries in non-independently mobile children**

We are all aware that in the current situation, family pressures imposed by the need to stay at home may lead to flashpoints and potential injuries to children, either by acts of omission or commission. There is still a need for those children to have their injuries assessed and treated, and for the safeguarding issues to be identified and managed.

The updated practice guidance for Managing Injuries in Non-Independently Mobile Children is available at [www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/professionals/practice-guidance/](http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/professionals/practice-guidance/)

**Domestic Abuse**

It is anticipated there will be a rise in domestic abuse cases directly related to Covid-19. IDAS have prepared information to support practitioners working with vulnerable families. Resources are available on the NYSAB website including how to raise a safeguarding adult concern and what should be reported to safeguarding adults: <https://safeguardingadults.co.uk>

**Child Sexual Assault Assessment Centre (CSAAC)** Please note that the York Hospital CSAAC has now closed fully to both urgent and non-recent sexual abuse assessments. All City of York and North Yorkshire cases will be seen by Mountain Health Care team. Referrals to the service can only be taken from the Police or Children’s Social Care. This new information has been shared with partner agencies.

The Safeguarding Team from North Yorkshire and York CCGs want to support primary care colleagues in these challenging times and to that end, we are proposing to extend the offer of telephone advice and support.

All safeguarding adult and children team members will be available as usual during working hours. Additionally, the following staff are able to provide extended access to safeguarding advice and support from 8am – 6.30pm, Monday to Friday.

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