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Welcome to the first Devon Safeguarding Children Board (DSCB) e-bulletin: helping the workforce keep abreast of local and national safeguarding children articles of interest and developments in practice. One of the key responsibilities for the DSCB is to ensure impact on practice and policy to safeguard all Devon's children and the quality and effectiveness of all work undertaken directly with children, families and adults who may endanger children is known.

This e-bulletin will develop into a key source of information for front line practitioners and managers about policy developments, significant messages from research such as from Serious Case Reviews that should impact on practice in Devon, and from local initiatives such as Multi Agency Case Audits (MACA) and the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). Please find links below to a selection of recent local and national reports, and to the DSCB website, for information of interest to anyone involved with safeguarding Devon's children.

National Reports of Interest

Recommended reading

- Ofsted Serious Case Review Learning Lessons 2009 – 2010 and the Voice of Children: Learning Lessons – **for all front line practitioners and operational managers.**
<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/learning-lessons-serious-case-reviews-2009-2010>
<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/news/voice-of-child-learning-lessons-serious-case-reviews-0>
- Safeguarding in Schools Best Practice – **for all school governing bodies**
<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/safeguarding-schools-best-practice>
- Out of Sight – report on abuse from CEOP - the UK National Centre for Child Protection has published the outcome of a six month assessment into on-street grooming and child sexual exploitation.
http://www.ceop.police.uk/Documents/ceopdocs/ceop_thematic_assessment_executive_summary.pdf
- Government's Response to Munro; The Government adopts the principles proposed for an effective child protection system and responds to the fifteen areas identified for reform. <http://www.education.gov.uk/munroreview/>
- Good Practice by LSCBS – Ofsted report on evidence of good practice from safeguarding children board across England.
<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/resources/good-practice-local-safeguarding-children-boards>
- Children's Workforce Development Council - leading workforce reform and improving chances for children and young people throughout the country.
<http://www.cwdcouncil.org.uk/>
- Children's Commissioner Report – messages from children and young people on the child protection system

DSCB Highlights

The DSCB meets quarterly. Minutes of all meetings are available on the DSCB website

<http://www.dscb.info/>

Of interest to all children's workforce practitioners and operational managers

- Be on the safe side - Devon's safeguarding campaign launches in November 2011, Find out how you can help make it a success.
<http://www.dscb.info/beonthesafeside/>
- DSCB Annual Report 2010-11 – Devon is required to annually report on how safe are children and young people are in Devon.
<http://www.dscb.info/wp-content/uploads/downloads/2011/09/Final-DSCB-annual-report-2010-2011.pdf>
- Child Sexual Abuse Service – development and implementation for the acute and historic child sexual abuse service in Devon and Torbay.
- MACA – multi agency case audit recommendations for improving practice.
<http://www.dscb.info/practitioners/>
- Newly approved protocols and policies: <http://www.dscb.info/publications/>
 - Pre-Birth Assessment
 - See the adult, See the child

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