

Board of Directors' Safeguarding Declaration 2021/22

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust's (LPT) Board of Directors take their responsibility for safeguarding seriously. The Trust is therefore making a declaration of compliance with the following aspects of safeguarding children, adults, domestic abuse and Prevent practice:

- The Trust meets the statutory requirement with regard to the carrying out of Disclosure & Barring Service checks.
- All safeguarding policies and systems are currently being reviewed and updated, including a process for following up children who miss appointments (was not brought) and a system for flagging children & adults for whom there are safeguarding concerns are in place. All safeguarding policies are reviewed on an annual basis or as guidance changes.
- Staff & volunteers have completed and are up to date with safeguarding children and adult training which includes domestic abuse to at least level 1. All safeguarding training is reviewed on an annual basis.
- Our Named Nurse, Named Practitioner, Named Doctors and Safeguarding Staff are clear about their roles and the Trust is independently reviewing this specialist resource's capacity, knowledge and skill to ensure that they have time, training and support to undertake their roles.
- There is a Board level Executive Director Lead for safeguarding; namely Anne Scott Director of Nursing, AHPs & Quality and a Non-Executive Director, Moira Ingham, who champions and scrutinises LPT's safeguarding governance. The Board reviews safeguarding across the organisation at least quarterly and has robust internal and external audit programmes to assure it that safeguarding systems and processes are in place and working.
- The Trust is assured that all clinical staff are aware of the Trust's Prevent Duty and Government strategy and have robust processes in place to ensure that any patient who may be at risk of radicalisation is identified and supported through the Channel process.
- The Board receives an annual report and from 2021/22 a work programme across the four safeguarding domains namely safeguarding children, adults, domestic abuse and Prevent. The Board is assured that LPT is working to ensure that it adheres to good practice, and that appropriate arrangements are in place.

If any further information is required, please contact the Director of Nursing, AHPs and Quality at Trust Headquarters. The full safeguarding 2020/21 Annual Report is available via the following link: <https://www.leicspart.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Final-BoD-LPT-safeguarding-annual-report-2020-21.pdf>