

The SAFEGUARDING TIMES June 2024



Child Safety Week—3rd-9th June

Child Safety Week is the Child Accident Prevention Trust's annual community education campaign, acting as a catalyst for thousands of safety conversations and activities UK-wide. They work to ensure children have the freedom to grow and learn, safe from serious harm.

Click here to find out more and access free resources.



Safeguarding LGBTQ+ Children and Young People

June is Pride Month in the UK. LGBTQ+ children and young people face the same risks as all young people, but they are at greater risk for some types of abuse such as homophobic, biphobic or transphobic bullying or hate crime. They might also be more vulnerable to or at greater risk of sexual abuse, online abuse or sexual exploitation. To read more about best practice for protecting LGBTQ+ children and young people, click here.



World Day Against Child Labour—12th June

On the 12th June, the International Labour Organisation and partners around the world will commemorate the World Day Against Child Labour. It is intended as a way to highlight the plight of working children and support the worldwide movement against child labour.

If you would like to access the material to promote the campaign, follow this link.



Stockton SEND—Be Heard Event

Stockton SEND are hosting their <u>Be Heard event</u> on Saturday 22nd June at Thornaby Youth Club. The event aimed at young people aged 13-25 living in Stockton-on-Tees with a special educational need and/or disability. Whilst the young people enjoy lots of **free and inclusive events**, parents/carers can gain some advice from a range of professional attending about how to support their young person when preparing for adulthood.



Putting Carers on the Map

National charities have joined together for the theme of this year's Carers Week 'Putting Carers on the Map', on 10-16th June. Carers week is a UK-wide awareness campaign seeking to increase visibility for carers, including young carers. Many charities offer support to young carers. If you would like to know more about what is on offer for the young carers that you work with, see The Children's Society, Sense, The Mix and Barnardos.



National Development Team for Inclusion Workshop

The NDTI are facilitating the workshop 'Preparing for Adulthood: Friends and Relationships' for adults involved in the lives of young people with additional needs in Stockton-on-Tees. The workshop will take place at Newtown Community Resource Centre, 26/6/24, 10am-2pm.

To book a place, please email DBV@stockton.gov.uk



CSA Roadshow

On 11th June, Teesside will play host to the Centre of Expertise for Child Sexual Abuse as they deliver a roadshow of learning to professionals in the area. HSSCP along with STSCP and TSAB, are looking forward to welcoming partners and professionals to the event. If you were not able to get tickets, but are interested in the research that CSA centre conduct, follow the link heres.



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Update on the Criminal Justice Bill Following General Election Announcement

Following the announcement of the General Election, parliament was prorogued on Friday 24th May. The 2023/24 Criminal Justice Bill, which contained proposals for a mandatory reporting duty, did not complete it passage through Parliament. Read more here.



Neglect Practice Framework & Guidance

Neglect is the leading cause of Child Protection Plans in Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees and has been a key priority for the HSSCP for some time. Did you know you can find the Neglect Practice Framework and Guidance, as well as a tool to help you when working with children who may be experiencing neglect on the Tees Procedures website that can help you to intervene faster, therefore reducing the cumulative impact on the child?



HSSCP is on Facebook

The HSSCP are now on Facebook and X. For all the latest updates, campaigns and relevant information about safeguarding children in Hartlepool and Stockton-on-Tees, please follow our page here.



HSSCP Training Programme 24-25

The HSSCP training programme that runs from April 2024 to March 2025 is now published on the HSSCP website for professionals to access. Please find a direct link to the information here.

If you have any queries about any of the courses within this programme, please contact HSSCPtraining@hartlepool.gov.uk or call 01429 523825



Updated e-Learning Platform

The online training platform used by the HSSCP, Me-Learning, has undergone some updates and re-launched. From the 1st of April 2024, users will no longer have access to the old Me-Learning system and will need to register for a new account. The link for this can be found here.



Tees Procedures

Have you checked out the latest information regarding safeguarding procedures on the Tees Safeguarding Children Procedures website?

For further information please click on the following link:

https://www.teescpp.org.uk/