

Stockport Safeguarding Childrens Partnership Multi- Agency Safeguarding Training Guide



Who Are We? Stockport SSCP and SSAP

Stockport Safeguarding
Children's Partnership



Ensure safeguarding arrangements
for children. Rapid Reviews & Child
Safeguarding Reviews Learning &
Training.

Stockport Safeguarding
Adults Partnership



Safeguard adults with care and
support needs as defined by the
Care Act 2014. SAR, strategic plan.
Annual report.

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Accessing specialist safeguarding training



Safeguarding training managed by the safeguarding partnership

is accessed via:

Education Stockport

[Support Services by Stockport Council
\(educationstockport.uk\)](https://www.educationstockport.uk)

If you encounter any difficulties creating an account or signing in, please contact bstraining@stockport.gov.uk

A screenshot of the Stockport Family training portal. The top navigation bar is blue and contains the text "Welcome | Hannah @ Stockport Family - Borough Wide" and a search bar with the placeholder text "Enter your keywords here and then click enter to search". Below the navigation bar, there is a banner with the word "safeguarding" repeated in purple and yellow, and "children in Stockport" repeated in yellow. Below the banner, there are four training cards: "Perinatal and Infant Mental Health (PIMH) Multidisciplinary Training", "Perinatal and Infant Mental Health (PIMH) Multidisciplinary Training", "Safeguarding Children: Working with Neglect and the Graded Care Profile 2", and "Introduction to Safeguarding Children (Half Day AM) - ONLINE TRAINING". Below the cards, there are three panels: "My training bookings" (No information found), "To do list" (No information found), and "Upcoming events" (September 2024 calendar).

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The main programme of multi-agency safeguarding training is bookable via a system we use called SLA online

Go to www.educationstockport.uk
Log in using your email address and your password

If you do not have an account, please click the link above the 'client login' and it will take you to the 'new account request' screen, where you will have to fill in your details. Your request will be processed in due course and you will receive your login and password details via an email from Support Services by Stockport Council.

To Book A Place On A Course

- 1) Click on the "Training & Events" tab at the top then in the "Please enter search term" in the top righthand corner of screen i.e., "**Safeguarding**".
- 1) Scroll down the page and click on the course name that you wish to book onto.
- 1) Click on the **Book Now** (Highlighted in green on the top righthand side of the Booking Page)

What Happens When you have booked a place?

Your name will be booked onto the course date and you will receive a confirmation email from Support Services by Stockport Council.

Please be aware that for some courses there may be a waiting list and these courses will show as fully booked but give the option "add to waiting list". Please pick this option and wait to receive confirmation.

You will receive confirmation of places, instructions for the day of the course and any relevant documents via the email below. You can also contact the training team on the same email if you have any problems.

Training may be a mixture of face to face or online via Microsoft Teams for which you will need a suitable device, like a laptop or tablet and access to the internet.

bstraining@stockport.gov.uk

What If I Am unable to Attend a course I have Booked?

We understand that work and personal lives can be busy but we would really appreciate that you prioritise the time for training you have booked on.

If you are unable to attend you could think about sending another representative from your agency if this is possible. If not please give as much notice as possible so we are able to offer your place to someone else.

Please log back in to your SLA Account to cancel your place
Please contact the email address below if you have any questions or require assistance

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Which safeguarding training should you attend first?

- Although you can attend any training in any order, we recommend that all practitioners should attend the **Introduction to Safeguarding** course, the **Partnership Approach to Domestic Abuse** course and the **MAPPA Awareness Raising Session**. They provide a foundation for understanding multi-agency processes and pathways in Stockport. They also consider learning from local and national safeguarding reviews, legislation and guidance and impact on practice.
- In addition, we offer courses on emerging themes from our safeguarding reviews around neglect and child sexual abuse.
- We would also recommend that everyone should attend our learning circle. Learning circle information is found in this booklet but please look out for updates and new sessions throughout the year, advertised via our partnership networks.
- Multi-agency safeguarding training **is not booked via Learning Pool**-this is Stockport Councils learning and development platform



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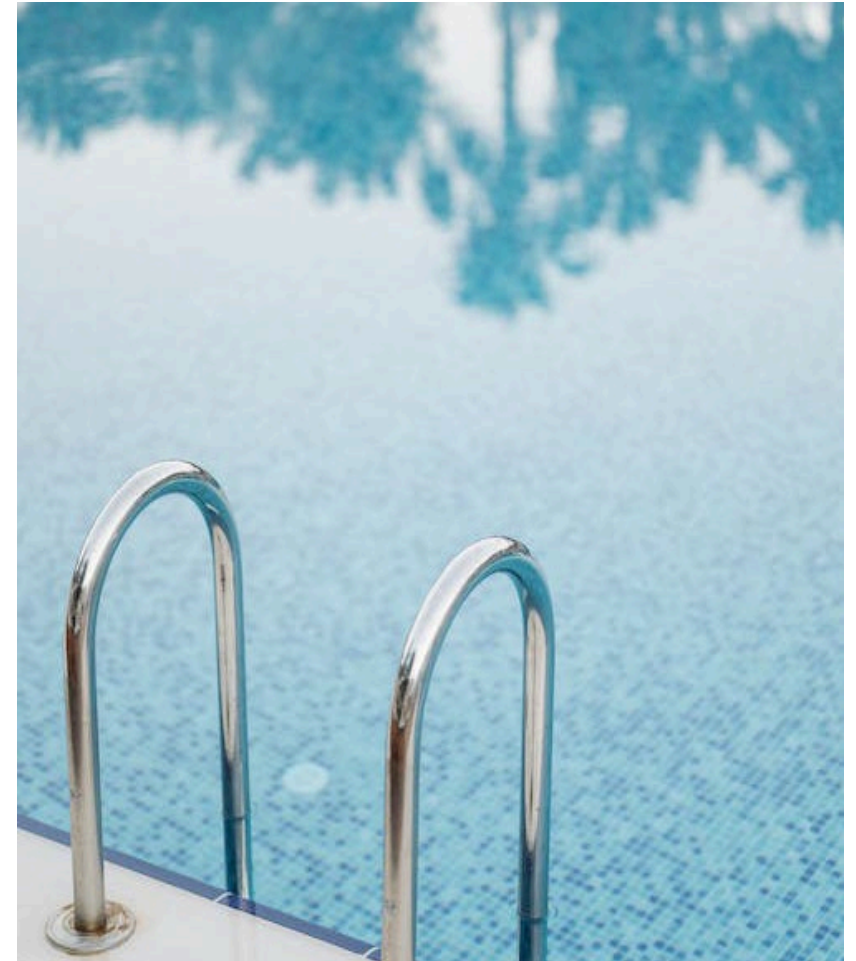
Multi Agency Safeguarding Training Pool

The multi-agency training programme uses a combination of members of a training pool and external facilitators both free and commissioned. The multi-agency training pool membership comprises a range of experienced practitioners from a variety of partner agencies. The pools support and commitment in maintaining the program is vital and appreciated by both the partnership and by delegates attending sessions.

If you are interested in joining the training pool or have a particular topic you want to share learning around, please contact

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Or email lsb@stockport.gov.uk



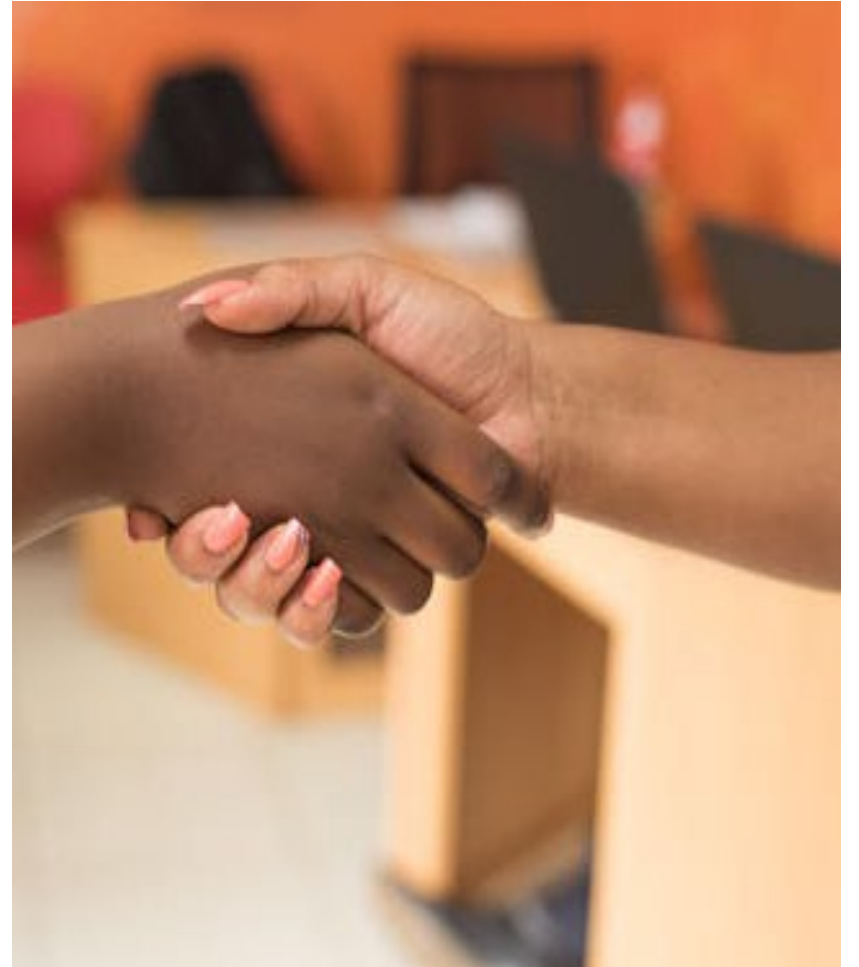
Introduction to Safeguarding Children (Half Day)

This 3-hour course is an introduction to safeguarding and covers legal background, recognition and response and how safeguarding is integral to the common processes approach in Stockport. It covers recognition of the signs and symptoms of child abuse and how to respond appropriately. This session is recommended for workers, who have not previously completed any safeguarding training, are new to Stockport or who have not completed this course recently and want to update.

- This course welcomes applicants from both adults and children's services
- All times are 10am-1pm via Teams
- 4th March 2026
- 28th April 2026
- 25th June 2026

The following dates are not yet available to book

- 8th September 2026
- 17th November 2026
- 28th January 2027
- 15th April 2027
- 1st July 2027



A Partnership Approach To Domestic Abuse

This course is aimed at all practitioners working with children and families and adult services.

This updated full day course is aimed at all practitioners working with adults and children. It aims to raise practitioners understanding of domestic abuse and what signs to look for.

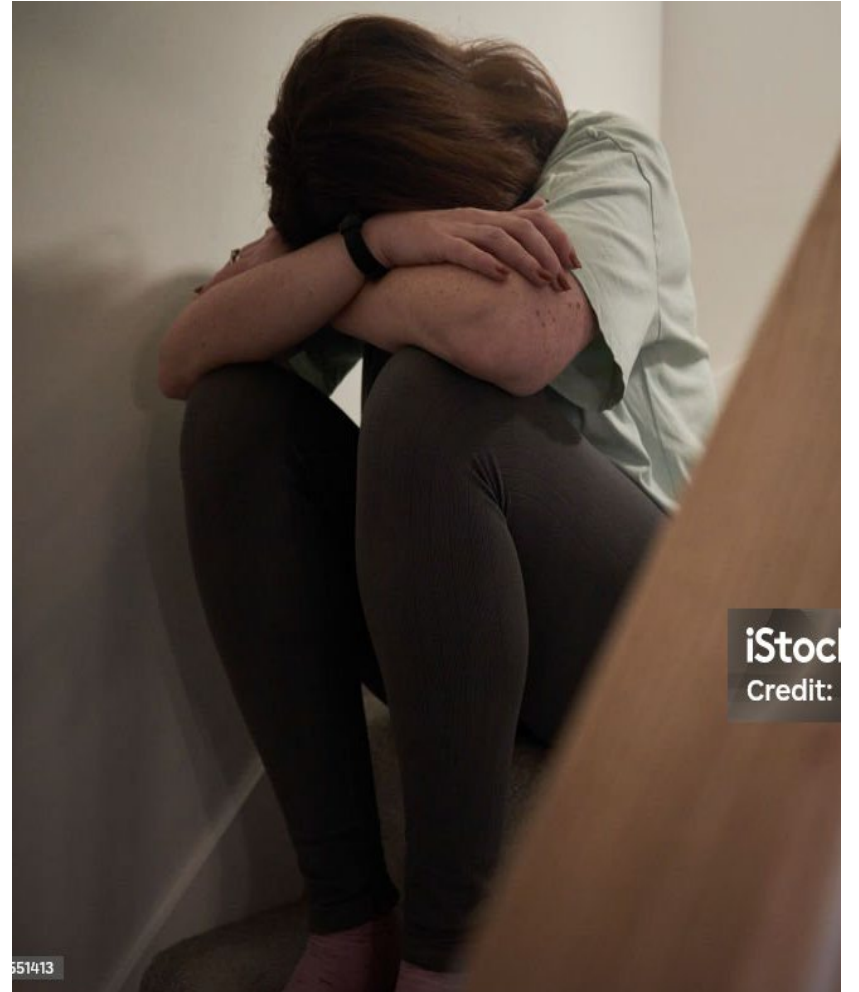
The course also explains the MARAC process and how to complete referrals and risk assessments.

It covers definitions and legislation, how to recognise potential indicators, how to respond, ask questions using the risk assessment tool (DASH/RIC), how to get support and refer via Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC).

- 19th March 2026
- 14th May 2026
- 30th June 2026

The following dates are not yet available to book

- 17th September 2026
- 3rd February 2027
- 22nd April 2027
- 8th July 2027
- Course Times: 9.30am – 4:30pm
- Face to face training
- <https://educationstockport.uk/>



Safeguarding Children and Adults: Multi Agency Public Protection (MAPPA) Awareness Raising Session

- Delivered by members of The National Probation Service (NPS), this 2-hour session aims to cover the following:
Purpose and function of MAPPA, Framework for the identification of MAPPA offenders, Considerations on whether to refer to MAPPA,
- Principles of information sharing and disclosure,
- Requirements in understanding multi-agency duty to co-operate with the MAPPA framework.
- Online Training via Microsoft Teams
- 12th February 2026 2pm-4pm
- 2nd June 2026- 10-12 noon
- 2nd October 2026- 10-12 noon
- 1st February 2027- 2-4pm
- <https://educationstockport.uk/>



Developing An Understanding Of Child Sexual Abuse

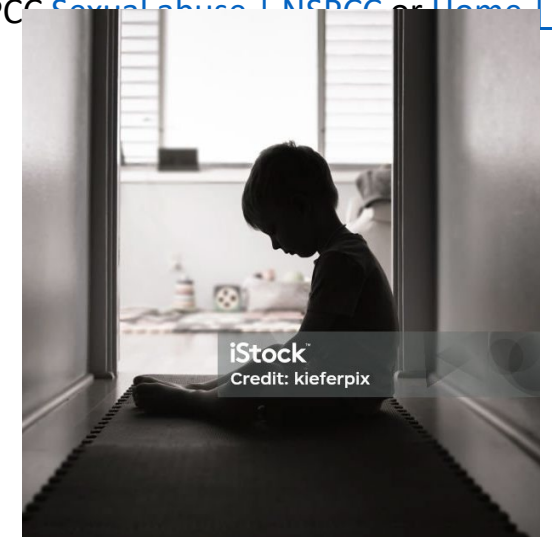
This is a new **2-day course** created by the NSPCC and delivered by a range of practitioners from Stockport Safeguarding Children's Partnership including Social workers, Health Professionals Early Help and Youth Justice. The sessions have been created following local and national rapid reviews and Child Safeguarding Practice Reviews (CSPR's) where sexual abuse has been a factor in children and young people suffering significant harm. **Attendees will need to attend both days.**

The sessions will allow attendees to:

- Identify the various types of child sexual abuse (CSA)
- Utilise appropriate language when referring to or speaking about CSA
- Recognise the vast and complex issues within the research based around CSA
- Determine ways to support most vulnerable groups at risk for CSA
- Identify the ways child sexual abuse can impact children, their families, and society
- Recall the 4 R's and understand your roles and responsibilities (Recognise, Respond, Report, Record)
- Summarise and share best practice with other professionals within their network
- We understand that this topic is particularly distressing, anyone requiring guidance or support can contact the NSPCC [Child Abuse Centre](#) | [NSPCC on Home](#) | [CSA Centre](#) for information, guidance and support.

- 27th and 28th January 2026
- 29th and 30th April 2026
- 3rd and 4th June 2026
- 20th and 21st October 2026
- 20th AND 21st January 2027
- 27th and 28th April 2027
- 14th and 15th July 2027

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Safeguarding Children Working with Neglect, the Graded Care Profile 2 (GCP2) and “A Day In The Life” tool.

Neglect features highly as a factor in referrals and interventions for young people in Stockport and nationally.

This one-day workshop explores the topic of Neglect and introduces the Graded Care Profile 2, the only national, standardised and evidenced based assessment tool. It enables practitioners to work restoratively with families in identifying areas of parenting where there are strengths as well as areas where change is needed. Stockport have invested in the tool for use by multi-agency practitioners working with children and families across the continuum of need. There will also be reference to other tools which practitioner's can use, such as A day In The Life) There will also be a focus on the Stockport Safeguarding Childrens Partnerships new Neglect strategy and toolkit for practitioners.

To be able to use the GCP 2 practitioners must attend and complete this course.

- 26th March 2026
- 19th May 2026
- Thursday, 9th July 2026
- The following dates are not yet available to book
- 22nd September 2026
- 1st December 2026
- 18th March 2027
- 15th June 2027
- Full Day Course: 9.30am –4.30pm
- ‘Face to Face Training’
- <https://educationstockport.uk/>
- Refresher sessions for those who have previously completed the training and are wanting a recap on the tool
- 3rd March 2026 10-11am [Join the meeting now](#)



Multi-agency Chronology and genogram training

This training is offered to all multi-agency practitioners working with children to support the development of their skills in constructing systemic genograms and impact chronologies. The aims of the course are to upskill the wider children's workforce to complete systemic genograms that support our understanding of the stories in families, child and family's history, intergenerational trauma, family scripts and patterns, and to help us understand important people in the family network.

21st April 2026 9:30am-4:30am

14th July 2026 9:30am-4:30am Stopford House 4A

30th September 2026 9:30am-4:30am-Stopford House 4A

18th November 2026 9:30am-4:30am-Stopford House 4A

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Safeguarding Children: Understanding Exploitation overview of complex safeguarding



This course is suitable for anyone working with children or adults where there may be issues relating to complex safeguarding. The course is delivered by members of ASPIRE, Stockport's complex safeguarding multi-disciplinary team, and covers identification of forms of abuse such as child criminal exploitation. The course also examines the impact of trauma and the impact of this on young people and adults.

Course Dates

- 9th June 2026
- 11th November 2026
- Venue Stopford House 3A 9:30-4:30pm
- <https://educationstockport.uk/>



Working with Fathers and Men

- This course has been developed by members of the Stockport COMPASS social work team and The Caring Dads Team and follows up on lessons learned and recommendations from the published report by the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel, *The Myth of Invisible Men* (publishing.service.gov.uk). In addition to this there has been lots of work across the partnership in Stockport around the topic of working with men and fathers, including a focus as part of Stockport Family Week, plus learning circles by the SSCP training team and the authors of the following reports from east Anglia University “Counting Fathers In” (2017) and “Up Against It” (2021). Both looking at fathers’ experiences of the child protection systems.
- There is a strong message within the research that involving fathers and men is “essential to improving children’s wellbeing” (CSPRP 2021).
- This session is open to anyone working with children, families or adults who would like to learn about ways to engage men and fathers.
- **Course Dates**
- 18th June 2026 4A Stopford House 10:am-4:00pm



Early Help Assessment- Effective Use (EHA)

- This course focuses on effective engagement, assessment and planning skills in June 25th, 2024 relation to the Early Help Assessment. It explores key areas including overcoming barriers to engagement, quality of and importance of recording, effective engagement with families, making the most of TAF meetings and ensuring the voice of the child is central and visible. The programme runs from September to July each year.

Attendees will be more familiar with when and how to complete an EHA and the importance of quality recording.

- 24th February 2026 Stopford House, 4th Floor Room 4A
- 12th May 2026 TBC
- 2nd July 2026 TBC
- Full Day Course: 9.30am – 4.30pm

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Parental Mental Health and Safeguarding Children

- This is a new course facilitated by partners from Pennine Care. Following on from local and national reviews, the aim of the training is to give practitioners the following:
- Understanding of mental health within a multi-agency safeguarding space, including information on mental health conditions.
- Information about Specialist provision from perinatal services including the Mother and Baby Unit (Anderson Unit).
- The impact of poor parental mental health on safeguarding children and how practitioners can respond
- Learning from national and local CSPRs.
- Dates
- 8th October 2026 Stopford House Room 4A
- 26th January 2027 Stopford House Room 4A
- Times for the course are 09:30-1:30pm
- <https://educationstockport.uk/>



Safeguarding Children: Allegations Management

- The Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) provides information on the allegations management process that must be followed when a complaint about someone working with children is received. There will also be an exploration of the role and responsibilities for those in the Children's Workforce.
- This one and half hour session is suitable for all those working with children, whether in a paid or voluntary capacity.
- 26th February 2026-10.00am – 11.30am
- 20th May 2026-10.00am – 11.30am
- 1st October 2026-10.00am – 11.30am
- Online Training via Microsoft Teams
- <https://educationstockport.uk/>



Learning Circles

An informal, bite sized method of sharing learning between organisations

60-90 minutes

Delivered virtually via Microsoft Teams by members of the SSCP and guest speakers

Covers a range of safeguarding topics including national and local child safeguarding reviews

Free to join using a link via email or calendar invite

Opportunities to ask questions and use chat functions to share online resources

These will be disseminated via EY Consultants



Learning Circle: Child Safeguarding Practice Review (CSPR) Updates

- A chance to hear updates on lessons from our local Rapid Reviews and Child Safeguarding Practice reviews
- Consider themes and recommendations for practice for the multi-agency workforce
- Understanding of the Rapid Review and CSPR process in Stockport
- To hear about national reviews and how they impact on working in Stockport
- Updates from the partnership on legislation, guidance, learning and training
- Sessions 10-11:30am
- Date 22nd July 2025 [Join the meeting now](#)
- Date 5th November 2025 [Join the meeting now](#)



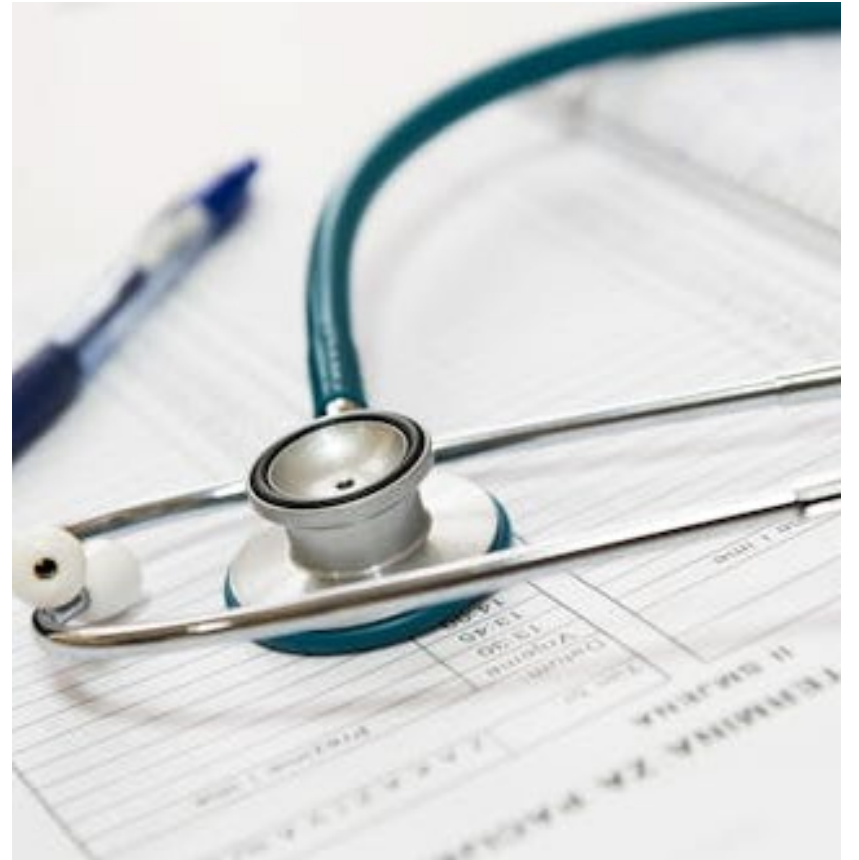
Learning Circle: Safer Sleep

- This learning circle will be delivered by the Stockport Safeguarding Children Partnership health Colleagues. The learning circle will review current guidance around safer sleep of newborns and infants, including learning from safeguarding practice reviews and medical professionals.
- 10th March 2026 10am-11:30am Safer Sleep learning circle for safer sleep week [Join the meeting now](#)
- 7th July 2026 [Join the meeting now](#)
- Please also see the following website for current advice and guidance for safe sleep
- [The Lullaby Trust - Safer sleep for babies, Support for families](#)



Learning Circle: Identifying injuries and bruising in children

- Facilitated by Jane Connell Designated Doctor, Stockport NHS FT, this learning circle covers
- The role of Paediatrics in child protection medicals
- Reference to legislation and guidance
- When, how and who undertakes a child protection medical in Stockport
- Issues relating to consent and information sharing
- Different types of bruising and injuries A focus on bruising in non-mobile babies
- 16th April 2026 [Join here](#)
- 2nd July 2026 [Join here](#)
- 10th December 2026 [Join here](#)
- **All are 10am-11:30 via Microsoft Teams**



Learning Circle: Public Health Nursing, Healthy Weight Pathway

- Facilitated by Public Health Nursing Stockport, please join the session to learn about the local healthy weight pathway and the consequences of weight related health problems. This important public health message links to the Stockport Safeguarding Childrens Partnership neglect strategy [Stockport Neglect Strategy 2025 to 2027](#)
- The session gives useful advice for practitioners including:
- A focus on weight being 'everybody's business'
- How to recognise when it is a possible indicator of neglect
- How you can manage difficult conversations
- Where to access resources.

11th March 2026 09:30-11:00am [Join here](#)

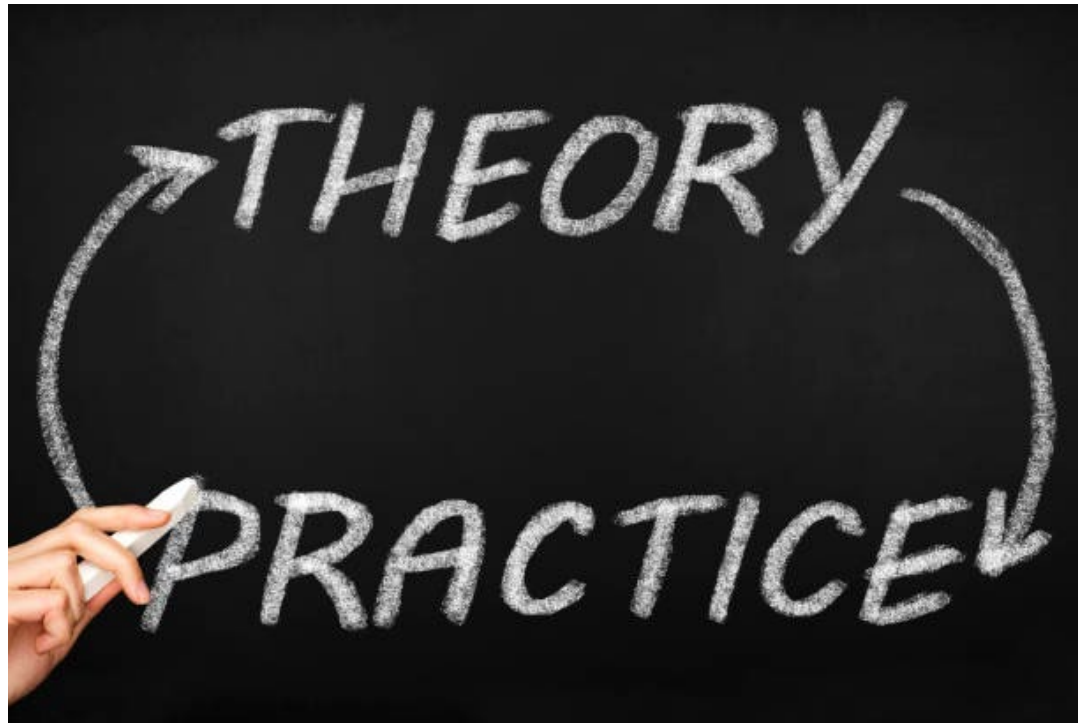
10th June 2026 10:00am-11:30am [Join here](#)



Learning Circle: Stockport Ethnic Diversity Service

- This session forms part of the Stockport Safeguarding Childrens Partnership (SSCP) and Stockport Workforce Development and SEND support services response to recommendations from the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panels report ["It's Silent": Race, racism and safeguarding children – Panel Briefing 4](#)
- The number of children who speak English as an Additional Language (EAL) in Stockport has increased significantly in recent years and over 150 different languages are now spoken across schools in Stockport. The Ethnic Diversity Service (EDS) offers specialist language support to Early Years settings, primary and secondary schools to ensure provision effectively meets the needs of EAL children and families, and has close links with Stockport Interpreting Unit (SIU).
- This session will give staff working with children and families a general awareness of English as an Additional Language and how the Ethnic Diversity Service supports EAL, equality, diversity and community cohesion in education. The session will explore the changing population in Stockport and the current drivers behind this, different groups of EAL learners including children seeking asylum and refugees, the theory behind effective second language development and why first language needs to be valued, and key considerations for working with children, young people and families from linguistic and cultural perspectives.
- 25th March 2026 13:30pm [Join here](#)
- 29th June 10-11:30am [Join here](#)
- 6th October 10-11:30am [Join here](#)





Chapter 6

Resources for further learning

'The University of Bedfordshire in collaboration with King's College London, offers a stimulating programme of conferences, seminars and workshops.

Making Research Count



As members of Making research count, we have [access to hundreds of webinars](#)

Upcoming events are listed on the MRC website; [Making Research Count Forthcoming Events | University of Bedfordshire \(beds.ac.uk\)](#)

To book a place on a webinar, all you need to do is email mrc@beds.ac.uk and state your role within Stockport. So that MRC know you are a Stockport employee and the name and date of the webinar you wish to attend.

If you have missed an event or there is a particular topic you are interested in, please contact hannah.todman@stockport.gov.uk

Research in
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Online
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learning
resources,
publications,
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more to support
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‘Supporting evidence-informed practice with children and families, young people and adults’

[Supporting evidence-informed practice with children and families, young people and adults |
Research in Practice](https://www.researchinpractice.org.uk)

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Centre of expertise on child sexual abuse

Our aim is to reduce the impact of child sexual abuse through improved prevention and better response.

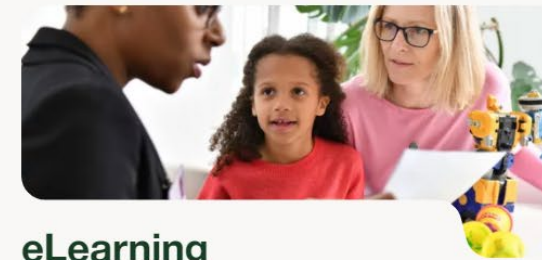


Signs and indicators of child sexual abuse



Communicating with children

Managing risk and trauma after online sexual offending



eLearning

[Research & Resources | CSA Centre](#)

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD



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E-learning

Stockport Family have secured access to a range of short online parenting courses, from babies to teenagers, accessed via / [LEARN - Togetherness](#)

These online courses are free and the access code is REDROCK

*The Solihull Approach (SA) promotes the parent and child relationship by emphasising the need for emotional **containment and a reciprocal relationship** so as to form a framework for thinking about, understanding and effectively managing behaviour.*

