



Kirklees **Safeguarding Children** Board

## West Yorkshire Consortium Safeguarding Children Procedures – Update

The consortium aims to produce twice yearly major updates of the procedures. The first of these is now in place and published on the Safeguarding Board's website:

[www.kirkleessafeguardingchildren.com](http://www.kirkleessafeguardingchildren.com)

### Summary of the changes:

- **Child sexual exploitation – New!**
- **Children visiting custodial settings** – these are in the form of links to national guidance. **New!**
- **Children visiting psychiatric wards and special hospitals** – these are linked to national guidance. **New!**
- **GMC guidance for doctors working with under 18's** – this is a link to guidance which is on Every Child Matters website. **New!**
- **Sudden unexpected deaths in childhood** – follows requirement under Working Together to Safeguard Children (2006) guidance, for system to be in place by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. **New!**
- **Review of childhood deaths** – requirement under Working Together for overview panel to be in place by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. **New!**
- **Initial child protection case conferences** – amendment to s.12.2, Other agency reports to conference, paras 5&6. Makes it a requirement for other agencies to provide reports to Conference Chair at least 1 working day in advance (and shared with parents 2 days in advance where possible).
- **Child protection review conferences** – amendment to s.4, Reports, final para. All contributors to provide written report to the Conference Chair at least 3 days in advance.
- **Some corrections** have been made as a result of errors identified in current procedures.

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