



## BOARD NEWSLETTER

Board meeting held on 21 March 2018

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Safeguarding Children Legal Masterclass** on [27 July 2018](#)

Further details on our multi-agency training can be found at:

[Learning Zone](#)

**Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) workshops** led by **Cynthia Condliffe** on [18th June 2018](#), [20th June 2018](#), [20th July 2018](#)

**CAMHS P.A.C.E (Parent & Carer Events)**

[27th September](#) at Rushmoor Borough Council

[12th November](#) at Lyndhurst Community Centre

[21st November](#) at The Lights, Andover

**CAMHS FitFest**

[22nd June](#) at Park Community School, Havant & [12th July](#) at Guildhall, Winchester

- [The HSCB Business Plan](#) for 2018/19 has been agreed. The plan outlines the key four priority areas for the Board which are: The Family Approach; Assurance; Engagement and Transformation.
- New Forest District Council presented the new Homelessness Reduction Act which came into force on 3 April 2018. The Act includes homelessness prevention and crisis management as mandatory; a fundamental shift from current legislation. District Councils have a duty to provide interim accommodation for those who are deemed priority need e.g. those with children, care-leavers and young people aged 16-17.

Homelessness Reduction Act 2017



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**Prevention:**

Duty owed to all eligible households threatened with homelessness within 56 days; Duty to prepare and provide a copy of an Assessment and Personal Housing Plan; Duty to take reasonable steps to help secure that accommodation continues to be available for the applicant's occupation.

**Relief:**

Duty owed to all eligible homeless households; Duty to prepare and provide a copy of Assessment and Personal Housing Plan; Duty to take reasonable steps to help the applicant to secure that suitable accommodation is available for the applicant's occupation for 6 months; Duty to secure interim accommodation (continues to apply as per existing legislation) if there is *reason to believe* the applicant is eligible, homeless and in priority need (pending a decision on whether Council owes fully housing duty); Can refer to local authority with whom applicant has a local connection.

**Main Duty:**

Duty owed to applicants who are eligible, homeless, in priority need, not intentionally homeless and who have a local connection; Duty to secure that accommodation is available for occupation by the applicant.

- [New Bruising Protocol](#) for bruising in non mobile babies has recently been updated. The protocol has received some minor updates to outline what happens if a baby is presented directly to Accident and Emergency Departments in hospitals. This compact briefing is designed to be used in staff briefings and team meetings and can be placed on agencies websites for internal briefing material.

### KEY DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES

**Spotlight on:** [4LSCB procedures](#) & [Understanding Unidentified Adults](#) & [Bruising Protocol](#) & [Neglect](#)

**CAMHS Website:** [New Hampshire CAMHS website](#)

[MET information guide](#) has been reviewed and updated for March 2018—2020

**Winchester Diocese** have published their [Safeguarding Audit](#) & [Response to the Audit](#)