

**SAFEGUARDING ADULT REVIEW REFERRAL (SAR) FORM**

The purpose of conducting a safeguarding adult review, as required under S44 of the Care Act 2014, is to establish whether there are any lessons to be learnt from the circumstances of a case, about the way in which local professionals and agencies work together to safeguard adults at risk.

A Safeguarding Adults Board (SAB) must arrange for there to be a review of a case involving an adult in its area with needs for care and support (whether or not the local authority has been meeting any of those needs) if:

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| *(a) there is reasonable cause for concern about how the SAB, members of it or other persons with relevant functions worked together to safeguard the adult,* ***and***  *(b)****condition 1 or 2 is met.***  ***Condition 1 is met if—***  *(a)the adult has died,* ***and***  *(b)the SAB knows or suspects that the death resulted from abuse or neglect (whether or not it knew about or suspected the abuse or neglect before the adult died).*  ***Condition 2 is met if—***  *(a)the adult is still alive,* ***and***  *(b)the SAB knows or suspects that the adult has experienced serious abuse or neglect.* |

**There is also another criterion under which a SAB may consider undertaking a SAR and this is:**

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| *An SAB may arrange for there to be a review of any other case involving an adult in its area with needs for care and support (whether or not the local authority has been meeting any of those needs).* |

**Finally, there is a requirement for services to co-operate when the SAB is undertaking a review:**

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| *Each member of the SAB must co-operate in and contribute to the carrying out of a review under this section with a view to:*  *(a)identifying the lessons to be learnt from the adult’s case, and*  *(b)applying those lessons to future cases* |

**Knowsley, Sefton, St Helens and Wirral local authorities have an established Merseyside Safeguarding Adults Review Group to standardise the approach to reviewing SAR submissions across the footprint.**

**Please complete this form with the details of the case you wish to refer to the Merseyside Safeguarding Adults Review Group for consideration of a Safeguarding Adult Review (SAR). Please ensure all questions are completed as forms will be returned if incomplete.**

**Please summarise why you feel it meets the criteria for a SAR and submit to:**

**sar@wirral.gov.uk**

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| **Referring Agency** |  |
| **Name of Referrer**  **(include full contact details)** |  |

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| **Name of Adult(s)** |  | **Date of Birth** |  |
| **Last known address** |  | **Date of Death (if applicable) or Date of Primary Incident** |  |

**Local Authority Area**:

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| **KNOWSLEY** |  | **WIRRAL** |  | **SEFTON** |  | **ST HELENS** |  |

**Other reviews:**

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| **DHR** |  | **MHH** |  | **LeDeR** |  | **Other** |  |

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| **If there is a review on-going, please provide information on where the review is up to and the key person to contact:** |
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**Agencies known to be involved with the individual**:

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| **Agency Name** | **Named Worker/Safeguarding Lead** | **Contact details** |
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| **Characteristics of Case (Please tick all applicable factors)** | | | | | |
| Neglect |  | Substance misuse |  | Emotional abuse |  |
| Mental health |  | Fabricated illness |  | Physical abuse |  |
| Sexual abuse |  | Domestic abuse |  |  |  |

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| **Please refer to the front page of this referral form and include in detail how you feel this case meets the criteria for a Safeguarding Adult Review** **responding fully to each separate criteria.**  **For the circumstances to meet the criteria there must be concerns about how separate agencies worked together.** | **a) there is reasonable cause for concern about how the SAB, members of it or other persons with relevant functions worked together to safeguard the adult**  Supporting information: |
| **b) the adult has died (suspected to be resulting from abuse or neglect)**  Supporting information, to include what the abuse and neglect consisted of: |
| **c) the adult is still alive and suspected to have experienced serious abuse or neglect**  Supporting information, to include what the abuse and neglect has consisted of: |
| **Was an Adult Safeguarding concern raised?**  (Please include details, a copy of the concern and outcome including notes from meeting) |  |
| **Is your agency undertaking any form of learning or incident review in relation to this case?**  (Please give details including recommendations where known) |  |
| **Please detail any other relevant information that will enable the Safeguarding Adults Review Group to reach a decision about how to respond to this referral.** |  |

**Thank you**