

# Kent Children's Trust & Kent Safeguarding Children Board

## Planning for District based Safeguarding Workshops - *'Crossing the threshold' stepping from uncertainty* *Safeguarding Kent's Children*

### Purpose

To raise knowledge, awareness and understanding of the new Kent & Medway Inter Agency Safeguarding Threshold Criteria for Children in Need, at a locality level.

4.4.1 Kent Safeguarding Children Board and the Children's Trust agree thresholds for intervention at various levels, including those for social care intervention

4.4.2. Launch of the eligibility criteria for specialist children services and secure understanding of thresholds, eligibility and assessment processes (Including linkage with CAF) through multi-agency, localised workshops

Kent Safeguarding Improvement Plan - Feb 2011

### Scope

The training will be relevant to all children's and adult services including the private and voluntary sector. The events will particularly support practitioners that regularly make referrals to Children's Social Services by providing them with the tools required to identify the child, young persons or families tier of need and to enable them to make the most appropriate referrals to access provision of a service. This will be achieved by increasing understanding of the thresholds for access to children's social services and other services for children and young people.

The training will compliment dovetail not replicate or replace specific CAF training in the area. LCTB's should champion the workshops and ask appropriate members of their staff to prioritise these workshops. The training will allow attendees to pass on learning within their organisations and provide a network of professionals that have a greater understanding and who can support each other.

### Delivery

12 district based events that are funded and run in partnership between KCT and KSCB. The workshops are to be hosted and promoted by the LCTB's and open to all partners who have or may have be put in a situation where they have to make referral to children's social services. The training will be designed and run in conjunction with the District CSS Managers and the Preventative Services Managers (PSM's) to allow for the fullest and most appropriate representation locally and to allow for localised needs to be highlighted within the training. The format will be 2x half day workshops sessions per district, approximately 50 participants seated cabaret style meaning approximately 1200 professionals trained by the end of June

### When

March - June 2011. April date for briefing/planning Session with District managers and PSMs and roll out of district based sessions from 10<sup>th</sup> of May onwards

### Resourcing

LCTBs should look to use resources in kind for example venues/equipment etc (central support and funding may be provided to fund venues where appropriate)

### Workshop Content and Programme

The training will be developed by Mark Janaway from the KCSB team in conjunction with a planning group including PSM's and District Managers based on the Kent and Medway Inter-Agency Threshold Criteria for Children in Need. The programme will compliment the local

CAF training and a draft programme framework for the workshops will be available by the start of April.

### Other Resources

Organisation and support will be jointly provided by the KSCB and KCT central teams and LCTB members (to be agreed locally) Promotion and support of the events should be via the LCTB networks in place at district levels and via the local child protection committees.

Link to the full Kent and Medway Inter-Agency Threshold Criteria for Children in Need - [www.kenttrustweb.org.uk/UserFiles/KCT/File/LCT\\_Boards/Shepway/18th\\_March/K\\_M\\_Eligibility\\_and\\_Access\\_FINAL\\_Electronic\\_March\\_2011.pdf](http://www.kenttrustweb.org.uk/UserFiles/KCT/File/LCT_Boards/Shepway/18th_March/K_M_Eligibility_and_Access_FINAL_Electronic_March_2011.pdf)

### Timeline -

Feb 2011

- KCT Executive Group charge KCT and KCSB to organise and run training sessions on the new S Kent and Medway Inter-Agency Threshold Criteria for Children in Need. **COMPLETED**
- Multi Agency sign off via the KSCB and KCT Boards of the new Kent and Medway Inter Agency Threshold Criteria. **COMPLETED**
- Initial discussions between the KCT and KCSB Teams to prepare a proposal. **COMPLETED**

March 2011

- Initial briefing of workshops and Safeguarding Improvement Plan goes to KCT Board for sign off (4<sup>th</sup> March) **COMPLETED**
- Initial briefing of workshops goes to KSCB Board (10<sup>th</sup> March) **COMPLETED**
- Venues identified and booked for all 12 district workshops. **COMPLETED**
- Add courses to CPD Online **COMPLETED**
- Key players informed & consulted about locally via the LCT Boards
- Proposal for training framework drafted **COMPLETED**
- Workshop planning group meeting takes place (31<sup>st</sup> March) **COMPLETED**

April 2011

- PSMs and District Managers briefed at area team meetings.
- Proposal and details go to KCT Executive Group (7<sup>th</sup> April)
- District specific case studies gathered for use at local workshops.
- Final training programme agreed by KCT and KCSB Exec Groups
- Invitations to events sent to local practitioners

May 2011

- District workshops commence

June 2011

- District Workshops continue (to be complete by end of June)

July 2011

- "Mop up" events are held (one in each of East/Mid/West Kent)
- review of programme and impact monitored locally
- Evaluation of Events to the KSCB (15<sup>th</sup> of July) & KCTB (1<sup>st</sup> of July)
- Next steps agreed

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# May 2011

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9	<b>10</b> Tunbridge Wells Salomon's, Science Theater	<b>11</b> Dover Ark Christian Centre	12	<b>13</b> Shepway Folkestone Racecourse, Medway Room	14	15
16	<b>17</b> Dartford David Lloyd Centre	<b>18</b> Gravesham Council Chamber, Gravesham Borough Council	19	20	21	22
23	<b>24</b> Ashford Ashford Enterprise Centre	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

## Extra dates:

- Monday 4th July - Riverside Centre, Gravesend
- Friday 15th July - Cheriton Baptist Church
- Tuesday 19th July - New Line Learning Academy

# KCT and KSCB District Safeguarding Workshops

Please note each date will incorporate 2 sessions, one in the morning & one in the afternoon.

## June 2011

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6	<b>7</b> Sevenoaks Swanley Banqueting, Woodlands, Walnut Lounge	8	9	<b>10</b> Thanet Canterbury Christchurch, Broadstairs	11	12
13	14	15	<b>16</b> Swale Brogdale Farm	17	18	19
<b>20</b> Maidstone New Line Learning Academy	<b>21</b> Canterbury Darwin College	22	23	24	25	26
27	<b>28</b> Tonbridge & Malling Riverside Lounge, The Angel Centre	29	30			