

Making Safeguarding Personal – Summary Sheet

What might ‘good’ look like for Safeguarding Adults Boards?

1.	Evidence strong leadership of Making Safeguarding Personal Establishing and developing Making Safeguarding Personal as a core objective of the Safeguarding Adults Board.
2.	Promote and model the culture shift required for Making Safeguarding Personal Strategies, policies and training are put in place across the whole partnership that support Making Safeguarding Personal and provide consistency and transparency of culture and values.
3.	Define core principles for strategy and practice The Safeguarding Adults Board leads on defining and embedding the six statutory safeguarding principles as core to Making Safeguarding Personal, and wellbeing alongside safety.
4.	Promote and support workplace and workforce development A focus on workforce issues, promoting workplace values and culture, seeking assurance on baseline practice standards that deliver Making Safeguarding Personal (including in respect of staff: recruitment, supervision, induction and development).
5.	Seek assurance of and support development of competent practice in applying the Mental Capacity Act (MCA) (2005) The Mental Capacity Act is empowering legislation and supports Making Safeguarding Personal. Competent practice enables effective balancing of sometimes competing principles in complex situations.
6.	Ensure there is a clear focus on prevention and early intervention The Making Safeguarding Personal approach applies to the prevention responsibilities of Safeguarding Adults Boards. Prevention and early intervention requires empowering everyone (including staff and people living in communities) to recognise the potential for abuse or neglect and to raise concerns.
7.	Engaging with and including people who use services Having regard to statutory responsibilities and research evidence about making this engagement effective and worthwhile. Support responds to the issues that people have themselves identified. Engagement supports people’s resilience.
8.	Facilitate engagement of all organisations across the partnership in developing Making Safeguarding Personal Encouraging and promoting these essential steps for all organisations.
9.	Measure the difference Making Safeguarding Personal makes to people This is essential as part of the assurance role of Safeguarding Adults Boards. It must include qualitative and quantitative information, both regarding Section 42 enquiries and in those situations which do not reach a formal enquiry. There must be encouragement of a whole partnership commitment to asking people about outcomes at the initial point of discussing a concern.