

'Safeguarding is everyone's business'

Digest of delegates voting analysis.

Safeguarding Forum, Sefton Hotel, Feb 2016.

The following paper provides a digest of the outcomes of the voting session during the Safeguarding Forum event held on the 19th February 2016. The session was led by Paul Burnett, the Independent Chair of the SCB / SAP.

- 180 + delegates attended the day
- Approximately 126 delegates commenced the 'power vote' session
- The participation rate decreased to 119 at completion of the questions
- Forum delegate sample size of approximately 70%.

The analysis of results is as follows;

Q1.

44% of delegates worked with both children and adults

37% of delegates worked with adults

18% of delegates worked with children

The majority of delegates worked with adults.

Q2.

57% had attended the Forum for the first time

31% had attended for the second time

13% had attended for the 3rd time

This was most delegates first attendance at a Forum

Q3.

88% of delegates agreed to continuing the current priorities

9% of delegates felt there were too many

The current 5 priorities should be continued

Q4.

76% of delegates felt their knowledge and understanding of safeguarding was better or significantly improved since last year.

Knowledge of safeguarding is improving

Q5.

33% of delegates stated a newsletter would improve their knowledge and understanding of safeguarding

28% existing staff meetings and briefings should be used to improve their knowledge and understanding of safeguarding

24% felt website developments would improve their knowledge and understanding

11% voted for social media

A Newsletter and use of existing meeting structures should be used to improve knowledge and understanding

Q6.

64% of delegates felt very or quite confident on information sharing

29% would value additional guidance

7% felt unclear or very unclear

Confidence on information sharing is good, and additional guidance would be useful

Q7.

35% of delegates had an improving or good understanding of NARRATES

27% of delegates understanding of NARRATES required improving or was poor

39% didn't work with children

There is good understanding of Narrates, with further improvements to be made in some areas

Q8.

34% of delegates had a good or better understanding of thresholds

10% of delegates had adequate understanding of thresholds

19% required improvement or had poor understanding

31% did not work with children

There is a good understanding of thresholds, with improvements required in specific areas

Q9.

19% of delegates were aware and engaged in the consultation of the new adult protection policy and procedures

56% were aware of the new adult policy and procedures

25% didn't work with adults

There is good awareness of the new adult policy and procedures

Q10.

35% of delegates believed that their confidence in safeguarding would be improved through single agency training

34% of delegates believed their confidence in safeguarding through SCB delivered training would improve their confidence

23% suggested on line presentations and guidance

A mix of SCB delivered training packages and single agency training will improve confidence in safeguarding agenda

Q11.

Children Workforce were most confident in;

1. **Emotional Health and Wellbeing**
2. **Neglect**
3. Learning Disabilities
4. Looked After Children

Q12.

The Children Workforce were second most confident in;

1. **Neglect**
2. **Emotional Health and Wellbeing**

The Children's workforce are most confident in areas such as Neglect and Emotional Health and Wellbeing

Q.13

The children workforce were least confident in;

1. **CSE**
2. Learning disabilities

Q.14

The children workforce were second least confident in;

1. Children Missing
2. **CSE**

The Children's workforce are least confident in CSE

Q15.

The Adults workforce were most confident in;

1. **Older people living in the community**
2. **Mental Health**
3. Learning disabilities / residential/ missing care

Q16.

The Adult work force were second most confident in;

1. **Mental Health (15%)**
2. **Older People**
3. Self Neglect

The Adults workforce are most confident in areas such as Older People living in the community and Mental Health (Some adult staff did not feel confident in Mental Health)

Q17.

Adult workforce least confident in;

- 1. Learning disabilities**
- 2. Mental Health (14%)**

Q.18

Adult workforce second least confident in;

- 1. Adults missing**
2. Financial abuse

The Adult workforce are less confident in Learning Disabilities, Adults missing and Financial abuse.

Q19.

39% of delegates felt they had robust arrangements in place to hear the voice of the service user

24% of delegates indicated they had arrangements in place for service user representatives voice to be heard

26% of delegates included the voice of the service user

11% are yet to develop systems

There are good arrangements in place for engaging service users, service user representatives

Q20.

36% of delegates felt that the Forum was best place to have workforce voice heard

25% of delegates felt feedback within existing meeting structures

22% suggested staff survey

The safeguarding forum is where staff are most heard

Please note: *where there are specific children or adult services questions the % response is a proportion of the total forum delegate responses, not a proportion of the individual children or adults workforce responses. This is due to variability in numbers of responses towards the end of the power vote session.*

Gary McManus. Feb 2016.