

Info for Scotland HSB practitioner forum.

Keep Safe Workshop: Supporting Young People with Learning Disability, Neurodiversity and Special Educational Needs where there are worries about Harmful Sexual Behaviours – delivered by Be Safe, Bristol, England, Specialist HSB service based in CAMHS

This interactive workshop introduces the Keep Safe model for working with young people with learning disabilities (LD), neurodiversity and special educational needs (SEN) where there are concerns about problematic or harmful sexual behaviours, their parents/carers and support network.

We will explore the background and theory underpinning the model, alongside practical examples of how it can be used with young people and their parents or carers. Participants will have the opportunity to try out some Keep Safe activities and leave with ideas, tools and resources that can be applied in their own practice.

The workshop will be delivered by Stephen Barry and Alice Hunt from Be Safe.

Biographies

Stephen Barry is a social worker registered with Social Work England, and an integrative psychotherapeutic counsellor, accredited with the United Kingdom Council for Counselling and Psychotherapy. He is the Clinical Lead/Manager for the Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health NHS Partnership Trust Be Safe Service, Bristol, providing assessments and interventions for children and young people who have displayed problematic/harmful sexual behaviour, their parents/carers, and offers consultation and training to professionals. Stephen has held a number of advisory roles, is the Co-Chair of the NOTA EDI Scrutiny Panel, Trustee for Circles of Support and Accountability South West, and Director of CSA Insight. Stephen in collaboration with Kent University Tizard Centre and Safer IDD, supported the development of the Keep Safe Programme for young people with learning disabilities who have harmed sexually. He has two publications in the 2019 Journal of Sexual Aggression relating to children and parents.

Alice Hunt is a qualified Probation Officer and therapeutic counsellor, registered with the British Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapist, working for the Be Safe Service in Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service in Bristol, England, supporting children, young people and families where there are worries about sexual behaviour. Alice has worked for over 20 years in the public and voluntary sector specialising in working therapeutically with adults and young people with complex needs in a variety of settings, as well as offering consultation, supervision and training to other professionals. Alice leads on the delivery of the Keep Safe Training.

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