



Dear colleagues

This year, the Local Safeguarding Children's Board and the Safeguarding Adults Board are holding a **Safeguarding Awareness Week between Monday 26 November and Friday 30 November** and we very much hope that you will be able to support us in spreading the important messages we have to share.

During the awareness week we will be holding a range of events and will be sharing messages about our key themes for the week on our website and social media channels.

This year the areas we are covering are:

- Child Sexual Exploitation
- Early Help / raising profile of prevention and early intervention
- Domestic Violence, abuse and neglect
- Counter Terrorism (PREVENT)

We will be using the hashtag **#TellSomeone** in all of our social media messaging – if you follow that hashtag you will see all of our messages and we would be delighted if you would consider sharing / retweeting them to your own audiences please. If you would like to share some messages of your own, please do include the hashtag so that we can see them too.

Timetable of weekly activities:

Daily media messages raising awareness around safeguarding

Open Market Event – which everyone is invited to attend. This will take place in the Durham Room at County Hall, Durham. Here you will find a whole raft of information from our different partners who are all helping to share the safeguarding message with you. This will be held on:

- Wednesday 28th November 10am until 4pm
- Thursday 29th November 10 am until 4pm

Practitioners Event Friday 30th November

Throughout the day we will address a number presentations relating to safeguarding, these are as follows:

- Modern slavery 10.00 am
- Counter Terrorism in County Durham County Council 11.30 am
- Carers' Rights 1.00 pm
- Halo Project, fgm, forced marriage and honor based violence- 2.15 pm
- <u>Domestic Violence</u>, abuse and neglect 3.30 pm

If you click on any of the presentations above. You will then be directed to the relevant registration page. **Please note** you will need to register for each presentation individually.

As always, we are looking to remind people of our key message: **Safeguarding is everyone's** responsibility. If you have concerns about a child/adult and think they are being exploited, neglected or abused, report it

Kindest regards

County Durham Local Safeguarding Adults Board Durham Local Safeguarding Children's Board