

Stockport SAB & SCP COVID-19 EBulletin



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Hi Everyone, hope you are keeping well and welcome to the 13th edition of Stockport's Children and Adults Safeguarding Partnership news bulletin. We are really pleased to see people returning to work now that workplaces are covid secure, and children and young people returning to education. However, following the Prime ministers announcement on 22nd September it's important to remember that Covid-19 is still present in our communities and so we must continue to take all precautions to keep each other safe.

As a result, new national measures are being introduced to reduce the spread of the virus. These include a 10pm closing time for pubs, restaurants and bars, increased regulation and enforcement to ensure that workplaces are covid-secure, encouraging those that can work from home to continue to do so, and expanding the use of face coverings for up to the next six months. The changes are summarised [here](#).

The majority of cases in Stockport are occurring in the community. Hand washing (or sanitising), social distancing and wearing face coverings when required are still the best way to reduce the spread of the virus. If we all do our bit, we can reduce the spread and protect those that may be more vulnerable to the virus.



As much as many children will be looking forward a return to 'normality', for some children, returning to school is an anxious time, even without the extra concerns that coronavirus brings.

Help is available, and to find out more about [mental health support](#) for children, young people and parents please visit our safeguarding websites.

As we are all getting used to this new way of working, we are also changing some of the ways in which we offer support. You will hopefully find these bulletins useful and informative along with ways of obtaining guides, videos and tips. If you wish to have a particular topic included then please let the team know.

Thanks again for all your efforts and hard work. Stay safe.

Coronavirus Information in Different Languages and Formats

If you are working with people who speak a language other than English, the following resource offers key coronavirus information in different languages and formats.

Most sites include an English version of the information so please check first to ensure the information is accurate, up to date and appropriate for the person you are working with.

[Click here](#) for further information.

Furthermore, Stockport has a growing number of Black, Asian, minority ethnic (BAME) residents from all over the world and for some, a limited ability to read, write and speak English are preventing them from getting online. If you, or someone you know, speaks another language and could spare a little time, you could help, by phone or video call, to help them get online.

If you could help, please get in touch with Ryan at Starting Point on 07537 127095 or email ryan@startpoint.org.uk.

Mate Crime

Mate Crime is when someone says they are your friend but they do things that take advantage of you like asking you for money a lot.

A real friend does not need to be bought, and someone who takes your money, asks you to pay for lots of things, or makes you feel uncomfortable is not a true friend.

Hate crime is any criminal offence which is perceived by the victim or any other person to be motivated by hostility or prejudice towards a person based on their race, religion, sexual orientation, disability, or gender identity.

[Click here](#) for advice on how to report a crime to the police.

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STAY SAFE

STAY WELL

Mencap have found that mate crime and hate crime are prevalent in the lives of people with a learning disability. There is also exploitation, cuckooing and disability hate happening right across the region. Mencap have produced easy read material that can be accessed below

Here are some useful resources for those supporting adults with learning disabilities including 'easy read' by Mencap:

[Click here](#) for further useful information from Mencap

[Click here](#) to view the #ImWithSam YouTube video

[Click here](#) to view Reece's YouTube video

Back to School and College

Greater Manchester Health & Social Care Partnership continue to add quality assured resources to their back to school and college resource packs. There are three packs: primary, secondary and Further Education – all packs include SEND specific materials where appropriate. They have produced the packs as interactive PowerPoint decks that sit on the mental health website.



- [Primary School](#)
- [Secondary School](#)
- [Further Education](#)

There are also four films available and shorter clips suitable for social media. You can find the links to these in the packs provided.

Problem Gambling and Young People

Please see the [attached flyer](#) with information on a free course about young people and problem gambling running on 15th October 2020. The course will also be run again on 12th November 10-11.30am. This course welcomes applications from both children and adult services as many of the issues are affecting young people transitioning into adulthood.

Flu Vaccinations

All frontline health and social care workers should receive a vaccination this season. This should be provided by their employer, in order to meet their responsibility to protect their staff and service users and ensure the overall safe running of services.

There are a number of ways this could be organised, with Pharmacists playing a principal role in this provision. All social care staff can get a free flu vaccine from their own registered GP or from within a participating Pharmacy on production of their ID badge or payslip.

Alternatively, social care staff can attend the mass immunisation events planned at Stockport Council Civic Complex. The first mass immunisation event took place 16th September 2020 and the remaining planned sessions will be the on the following dates/times:

- 25th September 2020 - 09.30am – 4.00pm
- 13th October 2020 - 09.30am – 4.00pm
- 05th November 2020 - 09.30am – 1.00pm

Are you worried about a child during lockdown?

We are all too aware that the current coronavirus pandemic is impacting on everyone in our society, with the most vulnerable being exposed to even more risk.

The pandemic means vulnerable children and young people are hidden from support services, but would benefit from early support before they meet the statutory crisis threshold.

Anyone who is worried about a child or young person who is not supported by a statutory agency can now refer them to the See, Hear, Respond Partnership. To find out more, [click here](#).

Online book of remembrance for victims of Covid-19

Stockport Council have created an online memorial book in honour of the local lives lost to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The online book of remembrance will help to remember those who have lost their lives to Coronavirus but might not have had an original memorial service. You can view the online memorial book [here](#).

If you are worried about a child at risk call **Children's Social Care** on **0161 217 6028**.

If you are worried about an **Adult At Risk** please call **0161 217 6029**. Out of Hours **0161 718 2118**.

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