

NCSAB Structure

The Board has a **Business Management Group (BMG)** which drives the main business of the Board.

The overall role of the BMG is to be:

- responsible for co-ordinating the business of the NCSAB e.g. ensuring appropriate reports are presented to the Board to enable focus on strategic decision-making and avoid excessive debate about operational matters – unless these matters presented risk to the reputation of the NCSAB and constituent agencies;
- responsible for managing the implementation of Board decisions, ensuring work is appropriately delegated to sub-groups and task and development groups, overseeing the work of sub-groups and task and development groups to ensure focus on NCSAB Business Plan priorities;

The Board has three subgroups:

Quality Assurance Subgroup

The role of the Quality Assurance Sub-Group is to support the NCSAB in its assurance responsibilities by collecting evidence on behalf of the Board in regard to the quality of local Safeguarding Adults interventions and the performance of agencies in carrying out their safeguarding responsibilities. This will include a focus on the principles of Making Safeguarding Personal.

Safeguarding Adults Review Subgroup

The overall aim of the SAR subgroup is to ensure that agencies and individuals learn lessons to improve the way in which they work, both individually and collectively, to safeguard and promote the welfare of vulnerable adults. The SAR subgroup will seek to regularly develop SAR processes in line with The Care Act 2014, local and national best practice

Training, Learning & Improvement Subgroup

Overall Aim of the group is:

- To be assured that the organisations working with adults at risk understand what their workforce needs to know in terms of their safeguarding responsibilities, and that the workforce is competent in carrying out these responsibilities.
- To promote learning and improvement opportunities that respond to Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SAR), audits and other work of the Board and their partner agencies and that this leads to improved practice and better outcomes for adults at risk.
- To act as a vehicle for disseminating safeguarding messages into the workforce
- To review the effectiveness of multi-agency learning and improvement activities, including training, in order to safeguard and promote the welfare of adults at risk.

The Governance Structure is represented by the diagram appendix 1

Communication and Engagement

The Board is developing a new Communication and Engagement Strategy and is working to develop and improve how it engages with the local community.

The Care Act says:

- That the strategic plan must be developed with local community involvement
- The annual report should include evidence of community awareness of adult abuse and neglect and how to respond
- The annual report should include what adults who have experienced the (safeguarding) process say and the extent to which the outcomes they wanted (their wishes) have been realised
- The annual report should include feedback from community groups

The board is therefore interested in developing relationships with local community groups.

Board Structure & Subgroup membership

