**Trainer notes – Module: 1c – Adults – Early intervention and emerging concerns**

* PowerPoint for module
* Everyone should have the Wales Safeguarding Procedures App on phone or tablet to refer to throughout the module

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| Slides | References | Notes |
| 1 | Section 1  Safeguarding principles and effective practice: adults at risk of abuse and/or neglect  > Prevention and early help to address any emerging concerns  > Identifying potentially abusive situations and/or emerging safeguarding concerns  > Delivering appropriate interventions: co-production |  |
| 2 | [Information, advice and assistance](https://law.gov.wales/publicservices/social-care/Local-authority-responsibilities/general-and-strategic-duties/information-advice-and-assistance/?lang=en#/publicservices/social-care/Local-authority-responsibilities/general-and-strategic-duties/information-advice-and-assistance/?tab=overview&lang=en) | Section 17 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 places a duty on local authorities to secure the provision of an information, advice and assistance service. The purpose of the service is to provide people with information and advice relating to care and support, including support for carers, and to provide assistance to them in accessing it.  Information, advice and assistance must be provided in a manner that makes it accessible to the individual for whom it is intended. |
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| 4 | Section 1 Safeguarding principles and effective practice: adults at risk of abuse and/or neglect  > Prevention and early help to address any emerging concerns | This slide looks first at the wider picture of safeguarding, and then draws attention to the aspect of prevention and early intervention. |
| 5 |  | The tasks for practitioners in contact with adults who may be vulnerable to *becoming* adults at risk of abuse and neglect are two-fold:   * to work with the adult and their carers to **avoid** situations arising that are likely to lead to the adult experiencing abuse or neglect i.e. build resilience, assets and strengths   and, if this is not effective:   * to identify and address **emerging** concerns that if not resolved could result in the adult becoming an adult at risk and experiencing abuse or neglect. |
| 6 | Pointers for Practice: Identifying adults and their carers who may require early interventions to prevent the adult becoming an adult at risk of abuse and neglect  <https://safeguarding.wales/adu/ap/a1p.p4.html?highlight=early> | **Identifying potentially abusive situations and/or emerging safeguarding concerns**  When identifying possible emerging concerns about **abuse** and/or **neglect** practitioners should ask:   * What are my concerns about the adult that if not addressed could cause them to become an adult at risk of abuse or neglect? * What information do you have to support these concerns? * Am I concerned that carer/s’ behaviours could lead to abuse and neglect?   **Practitioners** should share their concerns and any information obtained with their safeguarding lead.  They should also record these concerns and information obtained.  If the concerns relate to carers being unable to meet the needs of the adult, then ensure the carer receives an assessment in their own right under **Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014, Part 3**. |
| 7 | Section 1 Prevention and early help to address any emerging concerns  <https://safeguarding.wales/adu/a1/a1.p7.html>  Pointers for Practice: Identifying adults and their carers who may require early interventions to prevent the adult becoming an adult at risk of abuse and neglect  <https://safeguarding.wales/adu/ap/a1p.p4.html?highlight=early> | **Early help, also referred to as early intervention, can:**   * protect adults from becoming adults at risk who experience abuse, and/or neglect; * avoid problems escalating; * reduce the need for safeguarding enquiries and interventions; * have long-term benefits for the adult’s health and well-being.   It is important therefore, that early help is offered to adults whenever possible to prevent them becoming an adult at risk.  The tasks for **practitioners** in contact with adults who may be vulnerable to becoming adults at risk of abuse and neglect are two-fold:   * to work with the adult and their carers to **avoid** situations arising that are likely to lead to the adult experiencing abuse or neglect i.e. build resilience, assets and strengths   and, if this is not effective:   * to identify and **address** emerging concerns that if not resolved could result in the adult becoming an adult at risk and experiencing abuse or neglect. |
| 8 | Pointers for Practice: Key Principles for Effective Early Help Interventions  <https://safeguarding.wales/adu/ap/a1p.p6.html?highlight=early> |  |
| 9 | Pointers for Practice: Identifying adults and their carers who may require early interventions to prevent the adult becoming an adult at risk of abuse and neglect  <https://safeguarding.wales/adu/ap/a1p.p4.html?highlight=early> | Optional activity – discussion:  * Split into groups with flip chart paper * Ask half the groups to list as many adults who are at risk to abuse or neglect by a carer as possible * Ask the other half to list as many carers who may pose a risk * You may also wish to ask a group to list the types of adults who are at risk – situations/ conditions, or that require carers * Share/Discuss |