

National Conference

“Safeguarding – Everyone’s Responsibility”

Thursday 17th November, 2016

The Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise

(10.00am – 4.00pm—registration at 9.00 am)

All services must have a publicly declared ‘No Tolerance’ approach to any form of abuse and must promote a culture which supports this ethos’

HSE Safeguarding Vulnerable Persons
at Risk of Abuse — National Policy
& Procedures, 2014

As service providers we need to ensure that those we support are treated with dignity and respect, that we effectively support people to live ordinary lives and promote people’s welfare and safeguard them from potential harm. There is an obligation on organisations to ensure that all staff and volunteers are clear as to their role and responsibilities in relation to adult safeguarding and the actions they need to take if a safeguarding concern arises.

This conference will provide delegates with the opportunity to hear from leading experts in the field of safeguarding, to network and discuss issues / concerns relating to adult safeguarding. In particular it will focus on:

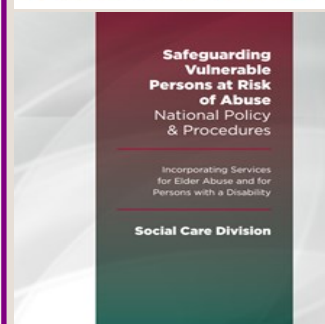
- Relevant national policies and key legislation - implications and legal responsibilities;
- HSE’s priorities for safeguarding vulnerable persons / update on the work of the Safeguarding Office & the HSE Confidential Recipient;
- The importance of organisations’ culture in supporting a no tolerance approach to safeguarding;
- HIQA – expectations on residential service providers in the delivery of safe services for adults and the management of incidents;
- Issues arising for service providers in supporting adults and dealing with safeguarding concerns.

A particular highlight of the event will be the launch of the Online Safeguarding Module for staff and volunteers which has been developed by the National Federation of Voluntary Bodies, St. Michael’s House & the Open Training College.

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what we do that
we are held
responsible, but
also for what
we do not do.

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EVENT PROGRAMME

9.00am	<i>Registration & Tea/Coffee</i>
10.00am	Chair: Welcome & Introduction Breda Crehan Roche, Chairman, National Federation of Voluntary Bodies
10.10am	<i>Safeguarding: The legal context</i> Patricia T Rickard-Clark, Chair, National Safeguarding Committee
10.50am	<i>Progress and challenges in Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults, National Safeguarding Office Perspective</i> Tim Hanly, Acting National Specialist, National Safeguarding Office, HSE
11.10am	<i>Taking Responsibility: Safer Rights-Based Services</i> Phelim Quinn, CEO, Health Information and Quality Authority (HIQA)
11.30am	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.50am	Chair: Anna Shakespeare, CEO, St. Michael's House
11.55am	<i>The Role of the Confidential Recipient</i> Leigh Gath, HSE Confidential Recipient
12.10pm	Panel Discussion/Questions & Answers
12.30pm	<i>Keeping Safe...Our Journey so Far</i> The Clare Advocacy Platform
1.15pm	<i>Lunch</i>
2.15 pm	Chair: Dr. Bob McCormack, Member Áras Attracta Review Group
2.20pm	<i>Launch of An Pobal Project: Safeguarding Vulnerable Persons at Risk of Abuse online resource</i> Raymond Watson, Head of online Learning, Opening Training College.
2.35pm	<i>Institutional Reform: The Central Role of Character and Culture</i> Dr. Eddie Molloy, Director, Advanced Organisation.
3.50pm	Closing comments Anna Shakespeare, CEO, St. Michael's House.