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SAFEGUARDING ANNUAL REPORT

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A summary of key achievements and future plans for Mid Nottinghamshire and Greater Nottinghamshire CCGs to fulfil their duties to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults

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1. Introduction

1.1. This report relates to six Nottinghamshire CCGs

- Mansfield and Ashfield
- Newark and Sherwood
- Nottingham North and East
- Nottingham West
- Rushcliffe
- Bassetlaw

1.2. These six CCGs commission health services for the population of Nottinghamshire. The purpose of this report is to provide assurance that Nottinghamshire CCGs are fulfilling their responsibilities as commissioners to work in partnership with NHS provider organisations, the Local Authority and other agencies to promote the safety and welfare of children and adults in need of care and protection.

1.3. Key areas of priority were established in the Safeguarding Annual Report 2016-17 and progress against these priorities is detailed in the Action Plan included in Appendix 1.

1.4. Overall this has been a successful year, with all of the priority areas fully achieved.

1.5. This report will summarise achievements and activity undertaken in 2017-18 and highlights recommendations for 2018-19.

2. Background

2.1. This report provides assurance that Nottinghamshire CCGs are fulfilling their statutory responsibilities to children as outlined in the Children Acts 1989 and 2004 and to adults as outlined in the Care Act 2014.

2.2. The CCGs work in partnership with the Local Authority and other agencies including the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children and Adult Boards. The CCGs also contribute resources to fund a specialist health team within the Nottinghamshire Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH), established in 2013 and continues to commit to a joined up approach to overcome organisational barriers to keeping people safe.

3. Safeguarding Governance and Accountability arrangements

3.1. The CCG governance arrangements for 2017-18 safeguarding were through the Safeguarding Committee which was hosted by Newark and Sherwood CCG under a memorandum of understanding until Jan 2018, when the Committee was disbanded and new safeguarding reporting and governance arrangements were agreed. The CCG safeguarding executive leadership is through the Chief Nurses who represent the CCGs on Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children and Adult Boards and are members of the CCG Governing Bodies.

3.2. The revised Safeguarding governance Arrangements approved in Jan 2018 are attached as Appendix 1

3.3. The CCGs must meet statutory requirements identified in the Children Acts 1989 and 2004 and the Care Act 2014 to contribute to a range of strategic partnerships to safeguard adults and children.

3.4. Strategic multi-agency partnership groups have been attended by the Chief Nurse or appropriate representative. These partnership groups include:

- Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board (NSCB)
- Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adult Board (NSAB)
- The Safer Nottinghamshire Board Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA)
- Nottinghamshire Domestic and Sexual Abuse Executive Group

3.5. Appendix 2 details the range of sub groups relating to these strategic partnerships. The CCGs are represented on these groups by senior Medical and/or Nursing staff.

4. Progress against Safeguarding Priorities identified 2016-17

4.1. The Safeguarding Annual Report 2016-17 identified key priorities for the following year 2016-17. Appendix 1 details achievements against target areas.

4.2. Key areas where positive progress has been achieved: -

- Received the findings from 360* Audits of CCG Safeguarding Children and Adult arrangements and monitored subsequent action plans in response.
- Received reports on plans in response to safeguarding concerns in local care homes
- Monitored progress and issues arising from local and national inquiries into historical abuse in children's homes including Operation Equinox and the National Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse
- Monitored progress and subsequent learning and improvement in relation to six Serious Case Reviews (child) 1 safeguarding Adult Review and 5 Domestic Homicide Reviews
- Received reports in relation to progress in response to health services for Children in Care of the Local authority
- Oversaw the CCG position and responses in relation to Domestic and Sexual Abuse
- Received reports in relation to CCG implementation of the Learning Disability Review Process (LeDeR)
- Received assurance and benefit analysis of the NHS England Safeguarding Assurance tool pilot
- Made recommendations in relation to future provision of the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) health team
- Monitored and reported safeguarding and children in care risks

- Received reports on the Nottinghamshire Children in Care Service Improvement forum, the action plan and associated working groups.
- Oversaw the response to Looked After Children (LAC) health assessment performance data.
- Oversaw the Looked After Children Out of Area (OOA) and Other Looked After Children (OLAC) pathways being devised
- Agreement of the Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children (UASC) CCG pathway

4.3 The Safeguarding Committee approved the following in 2017/8:

- Nottinghamshire Clinical Commissioning Group Safeguarding Policy (Incorporating PREVENT and Safeguarding Training Strategy)

5. Priorities Identified 2018-19

In response to National priorities and key work-streams identified by the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children and Adult Boards, the Safeguarding Committee has identified the following priorities for the coming year:

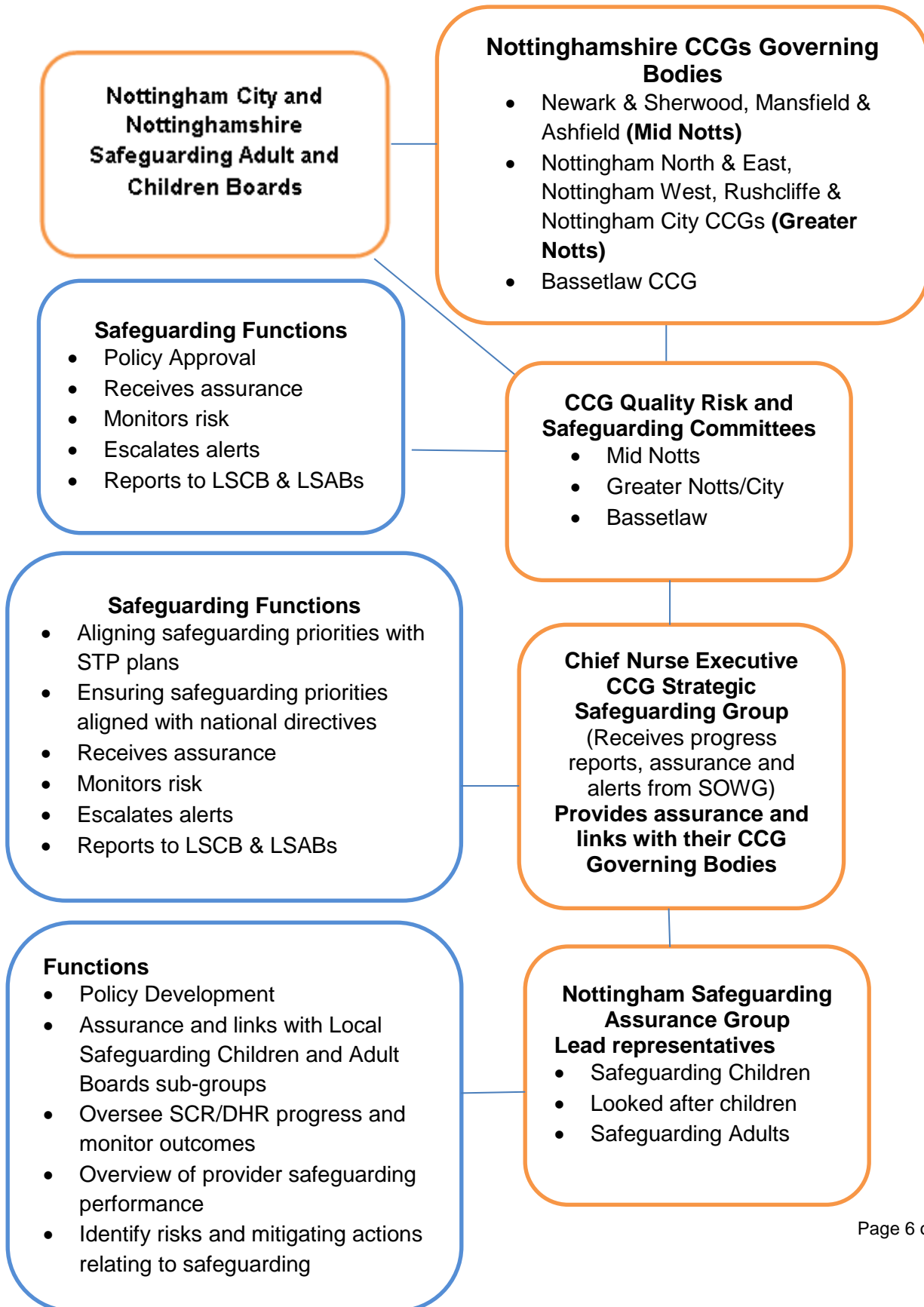
- Approving terms of reference for the newly formed Safeguarding Assurance Group (City and County CCGs) and the Executive Strategic Safeguarding Group, embedding the new safeguarding governance arrangements across the STP footprint
- Continue to promote a partnership approach across Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City CCGs to ensure best practice within available resources
- To ensure the alignment of safeguarding priorities with STP plans and national directives
- To work with Local Authority and Police partners to implement recommendations from the revised Working Together to Safeguard Children Statutory Guidance 2018 when published
- To report to Local Safeguarding Children and Adult Boards and Strategic Safeguarding Partnerships
- Support the development and implementation of integrated safeguarding children and looked after children care pathways

6. Conclusion

2017-18 saw continued development and contribution to CCG multi-agency safeguarding partnerships across Nottinghamshire. The next year will focus on aligning the Safeguarding Arrangements with newly developing Sustainability and Transformation plans and integrating with Nottingham City Colleagues.

Appendix 1

Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Governance Structures



Appendix 2 Nottinghamshire CCGs Safeguarding Strategic Priorities Action Plan 2017-18 Progress

	Priority	Evidence of Progress March 2017	Status	Evidence
1	Overseeing the response to recommendations made in the CQC inspection of Children Looked After and Safeguarding in Nottinghamshire	Action Plan monitored by CCG Safeguarding Committee -Complete	Complete	CQC completed Action Plan
2	Continuing to ensure that learning from Serious Case Reviews, Domestic Homicide Reviews and Safeguarding Adult Reviews is shared and implemented	SCR Matrix and associated action plans reviewed as standing agenda items at CCG Safeguarding Committee CCG representation on Safeguarding Adult and Childrens Board Serious Incident Review Panels	Complete	Minutes from Safeguarding Committee and Safeguarding Operational Working Group
3	Continuing to ensure that providers have robust processes in place to safeguard adults and children	Safeguarding Quality Assurance Visits undertaken to provider services and Safeguarding a standing item on Quality Scrutiny Panels	Complete	Minutes from Quality Scrutiny Panels
4	Continuing to ensure that the CCGs meet statutory requirements in relation to safeguarding	Completion of NHS England Safeguarding and Children Looked After Self-Assessment	Complete	SAAT tool completed and submitted to NSCB June 2018

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5	Overseeing the response to recommendations arising from the National Goddard Inquiry into historic Child Abuse (Renamed the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse IICSA) and local inquiries e.g. Operation Xeres with a particular focus on ensuring frontline staff are able to recognise and respond appropriately to suspected abuse	Survivors of non-recent abuse have spoken to over 500 GPs and practice Nurses to highlight issues in relation to historical child abuse. CCG Briefings and Bulletins distributed in newsletters IICSA National representatives have presented to safeguarding leads across all provider organisations at the Joint Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Forum	Complete	Programmes of CCG Practice Learning Events CCG Primary Care Bulletins Minutes for Joint Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Forum
6	Continue to support the improvement of inter and intra agency information sharing processes and systems	CP-IS has been implemented across all Nottinghamshire provider organisations. Local authority Go live expected June 2018	Complete	Minutes from CP-IS Project board
7	Identify strategic leads for NHS England Safeguarding priority areas to ensure local response to national priorities and any other emerging issues.	Regular attendance at NHSE Regional Safeguarding Forum and events and conferences		Minutes from NHSE Safeguarding forum meetings

Appendix 3

List of Strategic Partnership Meetings and Sub Groups attended by the CCG

1. Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Board (NSCB)
2. NSCB Executive
3. NSCB Audit Sub-Committee
4. NSCB Child Death Overview Committee
5. NSCB Standing Serious Case Review Panel
6. Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) Level 3
7. MAPPA Strategic Management board
8. Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adult board (NSAB)
9. NSAB Serious Adult Review Sub Committee
10. NSAB Quality Sub Committee
11. NSAB Training Sub Committee
12. Nottinghamshire Domestic and Sexual Abuse Executive
13. Nottinghamshire MARAC Steering Group
14. Nottinghamshire MASH Strategic Governance Group
15. Nottinghamshire MASH Operational Group
16. MASH Health Partnership group
17. Child Sexual Exploitation Strategic Steering Group
18. MARAC Strategic Steering Group
19. Family Nurse Partnership Programme Management Board
20. Safeguarding Adults and Children Regional Forum NHS England
21. Mental Capacity Act and Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Regional Forum
22. CCG Safeguarding Committee Working Operational Sub Group
23. Joint Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Forum

- *These arrangements were in place up until the new CCG structure was implemented in the last quarter. For the purposes of this report we have included the memberships as they had been for the majority of that reporting period.*