



Tuesday 14th April 2020

Dear All,

The Board is very aware of the pressure all our members are under in these challenging times. We appreciate the work you are doing under extraordinary circumstances and know that your priorities are focussed on the most urgent needs of your clients and your fellow workers and colleagues.

You will know that the Board has a dedicated page with useful information and links, to help you through this period of Coronavirus. We will continue to update to ensure you have access to the latest Safeguarding news. Please let us know if you have anything relevant that we can add.

We are clear though that Safeguarding is probably more than ever something that needs focus and engagement on those that have care and support needs and meet the Care Act criteria. Therefore, please be vigilant and continue referring to the MASH and keep us informed as well as Adult Social Care if there are any issues.

Our latest [newsletter](#) has tried to highlight as much as possible areas that will be relevant with or without the virus, so I hope you find it a useful read.

On a more positive note we are really pleased to welcome Sarah McDermott as our new Board Manager who joins us on the 20th April. She brings to the role great experience in senior Safeguarding roles as well as being a qualified social worker and will add real value supporting the Board.

Stay Safe and Keep well

Simon Turpitt
SSAB Independent Chair