

Leadership in Safeguarding, 3rd December 2019

Speakers biographies and session details

Understanding County Lines and Exploitation of young people

Craig Pinkney

Craig Pinkney is a Criminologist, Urban Youth Specialist and Lecturer at University College Birmingham, UK. He is also an experienced Youth Worker and academically holds a BA (Hons) in Youth & Community Development, Post Graduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning, Post Graduate Certificate in Research, Masters in Criminology and is currently a PhD Researcher in Social Sciences at Birmingham City University. With over 15 years of experience as an outreach worker, transformational speaker, international gang exit strategist, mediator, mentor and filmmaker, Craig is well known for working with some of the country's most challenging young people, potentially high-risk offenders, victims of gang violence and youth who are deemed most hard to reach. He is also the UK lead for the EU Gangs Project, an advisor for the Ministry of Justice in Jamaica, an advisor for the West Midlands PCC on Gangs and Youth Violence and full-time lecturer at University College of Birmingham, specialising in youth violence, urban street gangs, social media and violence, trauma and Black men's desistance.

Craig's session will give an understanding of how and why criminal gangs choose to exploit children and young people to traffic drugs from large cities into smaller towns and villages. Importantly, it will also discuss the warning signs schools staff can look out for, as well as the interventions they can engage with.

Mental Health - How Leadership and Safeguarding can be used to tackle this contagious disease

Andrew Grundell

Almost every family, school and community has been affected by adverse mental health, making it probably the most relevant subject in society today.

Andrew didn't ever expect to step into the Mental Health arena: but over recent years his family has journeyed through anxiety, depression, OCD, eating disorders, self-harm, suicidal ideation, attempted suicides, sectioning, PTSD and dealing with both CAMHS & CMHT. Struggling with social anxiety and depression as a direct result of his family's traumatic experiences. This gives him a unique and powerful insight and perspective into not only Mental Ill Health, but also the model and system that we use to treat and engage with sufferers. Out of this was born a passion to raise awareness, break down the walls of shame & stigma that surround mental ill health and campaign to improve the way we talk about, engage with and treat mental ill health. He has spoken widely, including TEDx Sherborne.

Andrew's session will take you on a journey which charts his family's traumatic lived experiences of Mental Health issues over recent years. Not just his story but also lessons he's learnt along the way and the value and importance of early warning, early intervention and how leadership and safeguarding can help recognise those signs and prevent problems before they are too deeply entrenched.

Self Harm (A Practitioner's view)

Jackie Shanks

Jackie Shanks is currently a Head Teacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead at Mountjoy School in Beaminster, Dorset which caters for children and young people from 2.5 to 19 years old with a range of complex needs. Jackie is a National Leader of Education and an Associate Lecturer for Winchester University. She holds a Masters Degree in Mental Health Issues for SEMH pupils and regularly trains on issues around Self Harming and how to support those affected.

Delegates will gain an overview on what Self Harm is and is not; reasons why this might occur; how to support those that self-harm and potential implications for long term harmers.

Leadership and Safeguarding – The Key Challenges/Ofsted Framework

Mike Glanville

Mike's background is in policing and he was the Assistant Chief Constable with Dorset Police up until May 2012. He was responsible for the delivery of all operational policing across the county and was a senior ranking officer in crime investigation and public protection. Earlier in his career Mike was a trained Child Protection Investigation Officer and as the Head of CID he had overall responsibility for all child and adult safeguarding issues. He is now Director of Safeguarding Services at One Team Logic, the makers of MyConcern.

Leadership & Safeguarding: Mike will provide an overview of the key safeguarding challenges being faced by schools and colleges and what that means for governance, leadership and management. He will be summarising the current safeguarding trends in education, how that is impacting on the critical role of the Designated Safeguarding Lead and the implications for governors, trustees and other senior leaders.

Ofsted: Mike will be providing an update on the latest Ofsted Education Inspection Framework focusing on the guidance for inspecting safeguarding in schools and colleges. He will be exploring the latest changes and the key themes emerging from recent inspections using case studies to highlight the major safeguarding failures that have been identified by Ofsted. The session will help to raise awareness of the new framework and the evidence that Ofsted are looking for when inspecting safeguarding arrangements.