

## **Safeguarding Adult Review Briefing**

## Overview

- ♦ Safeguarding Adult Reviews are a statutory requirement for Safeguarding Partnerships as outlined in S44 of the Care Act 2014 and Care and Support Statutory Guidance.
- A review may be commissioned when an adult with needs for care and support has either died or is still alive and it is know or suspected the death resulted from abuse or neglect and there is reasonable cause for concern about how members of the Partnership worked together to safeguard the adult.
- ♦ The Statutory Safeguarding Partners (SSP) determine if a case meets the criteria for SAR.
- ♦ If decision is made the SAR criteria met, a Review Panel is convened. Purpose of a Review Panel is to gather facts about the case, as far as they can be readily established and determine what steps should be taken next, including to f agree SAR criteria has been met.
- ♦ The purpose of a SAR is to seek to determine how relevant agencies and individuals involved could have worked differently, that could have prevented abuse or neglect or death from taking place.

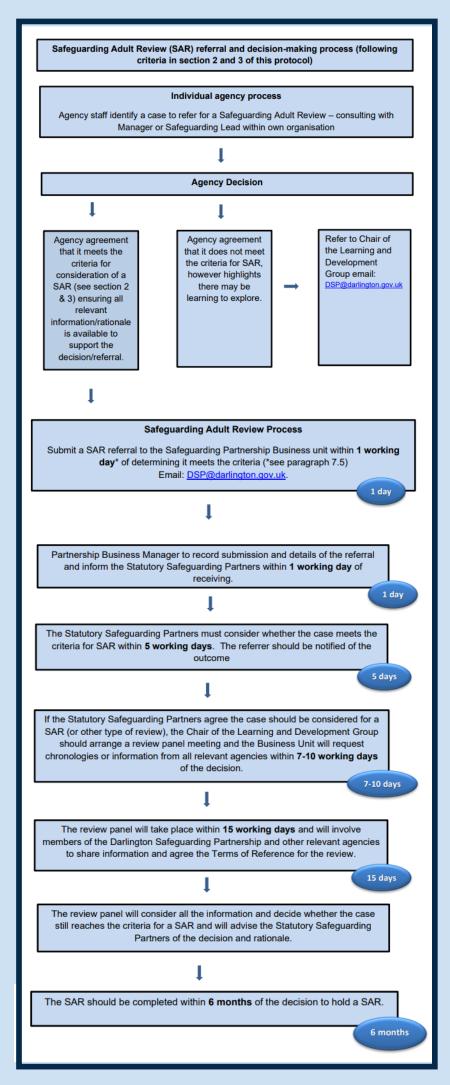
## **How Safeguarding Adult Reviews work in Darlington**

Darlington Safeguarding Partnership is the key statutory mechanism for agreeing how relevant organisations in Darlington will co-operate to safeguard adults with needs for care and support in its area. A key function is to undertake Safeguarding Adult Reviews. Any professionals or agency may refer a case to the Statutory Safeguarding Partners if they believe that there are important lessons to be learned.

The statutory process to be followed is explained in full in

Safeguarding Adults Review
(SAR) Protocol

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## Points to note:

- During this process there is an expectation that all agencies with involvement with the adult provide information to support the review.
   There will be an agreed timeframe for all of the information to be gathered.
- A Review Panel will be convened within fifteen days to gather information, determine next steps and make recommendation to the Statutory Safeguarding Partners.
- The SAR referral form is available to download on the Darlington <u>Safeguarding Partnership website</u>.

