



Adolygiad Diogelu Unedig Sengl Single Unified Safeguarding Review

Welcome to the first edition of the Single Unified Safeguarding Review Bulletin.

These bulletins will be sent monthly and will contain information and updates on:

- SUSRs **commissioned** and **published** in the past month
- Any **urgent learning** of national relevance emerging from ongoing SUSRs
- **Reflections** and **good practice** from Reviews
- Upcoming **training and learning** events
- Other **relevant** news

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Commissioned SUSRs

The Co-ordination Hub have received 5 SUSR notifications since going live on the 1st of October 2024.



Published SUSRs

A pilot SUSR involving a mental health homicide was published by the Cwm Taf Morgannwg Safeguarding Board in October 2024.



News

Dawn Bowden, Minister for Children and Social Care, welcomed stakeholders to the Pierhead Building in Cardiff Bay on the 5th of December for the Ministerial launch of the SUSR.

Review Reflections

Findings

Reflection meetings have been held with personnel involved in two pilot SUSRs; the key findings were:

- The importance of protected time to undertake the roles of Panel Member, Reviewer and Chair
- Family engagement and how best to work with families
- Challenges around Recommendation writing
- The benefits of 'Expert Advisors' on mental health to the Panel

Good Practice

The reflection meetings highlighted the following good practice in engaging with families:

- The Chair asked family for questions for the Review Panel prior to the panel/family meeting. This ensured that Panel Members were able to prepare and answer all of the family's questions on the day.
- For more good practice examples for engaging with subjects and families, take a look at the recently developed [Engagement Flowchart](#) for Reviewers & Chairs

We want to hear from you!

Please share any good practice identified as part of a SUSR with the Co-ordination Hub at SUSRWales@gov.wales

Training

Further training is being held in Cardiff in early February.

All Safeguarding Boards have been allocated spaces and will be nominating individuals from their region to attend.

An e-learning package is currently in development by Mid & West Wales Safeguarding Board which includes modules for Panel Members, Reviewers and Chairs, and Senior Leaders - Watch this space!

What Next?

The Co-ordination Hub have linked in with Manchester Metropolitan University around their work on a recommendation framework to see how this might be applied to SUSRs. This should assist in the formulation and standardisation of recommendations.

The Spring Dissemination Event will have a focus on best practice around recommendation writing. Further details of the event will be shared in February.

Links to all SUSR resources can be found [here](#)