



Adult Protection Newsletter

Adult Support & Protection Training

Level 1 & Level 2 dates for August & September are now available to book via TURAS - Please see the pathway below to help you in booking the correct course for your role.

E-Module Update

Please note there has been a change to the Adult Protection Modules that all staff should undertake, NHS Highland ASP e-module has been removed from Turas; We are asking that all staff complete the NES Adult Support & Protection e-module <https://learn.nes.nhs.scot/64321> You will find this course under the Public Protection section. Please ensure that you complete this at your earliest convenience if you have not already done so.

Adult Support & Protection Training Pathway

The flow chart below should help you understand what level of training you should complete depending on your role and grade and what level you should refresh to - Please click on the picture for full view and please share with your colleagues.



Do You Have an Adult Concern?



Highland Adult Protection Committee are decommissioning the ASP phone line and inbox. Below is a poster which will help individuals to know where they should report adult concerns - which will now go directly to the local Social Work Teams. All up to date information on reporting will be maintained on our website -

[Highland ASP Webpage \(Public\)](#)

[Highland ASP Webpage \(Professionals\)](#)

CAN YOU HELP TO SPREAD THE WORD? Could you print a copy of the poster (attached with this email) and have it up in your workplace, local community centre, GP surgery, or anywhere where you feel this will be helpful? We would appreciate your support in raising the profile of this to ensure that adult protection concerns are sent to appropriate place.

Reporting Poster:

To Make a Report or to Speak to the Social Work Team Please see Below:

AREA	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
Caithness	nhsh.caithnesspoa@nhs.scot	01955 606915
Sutherland	nhsh.sspoc@nhs.scot	01408 664018
Skye, Lochalsh & Wester Ross	nhsh.singlepointofcontactSLWR@nhs.scot	01471 820174
Lochaber	nhsh.lochaberdistrict@nhs.scot	01397 709832
Mid Ross	nhsh.mrhsc@nhs.scot	01349 860460
East Ross	nhshighland.eric@nhs.scot	01349 853131
Inverness East & West	nhsh.spoainvernesseastwest@nhs.scot	01463 888333
Nairn	nhsh.nairnsocialwork@nhs.scot	01667 422702
Badenoch & Strathspey	nhsh.bandsspoa@nhs.scot	01479 812618
Transitions Team	nhsh.transitionsteam@nhs.scot	01463 644325

If you require the emergency services Police/Ambulance or Fire please contact 999

TO CONTACT THE 'OUT OF HOURS' SERVICE – (OVERNIGHT, AT WEEKENDS, OR PUBLIC HOLIDAYS) - RING 0808 175 3646

TO FIND DETAILS ABOUT ADULT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION IN THE HIGHLANDS, PUT **NHSH.SCOT/ASP** IN YOUR WEB BROWSER

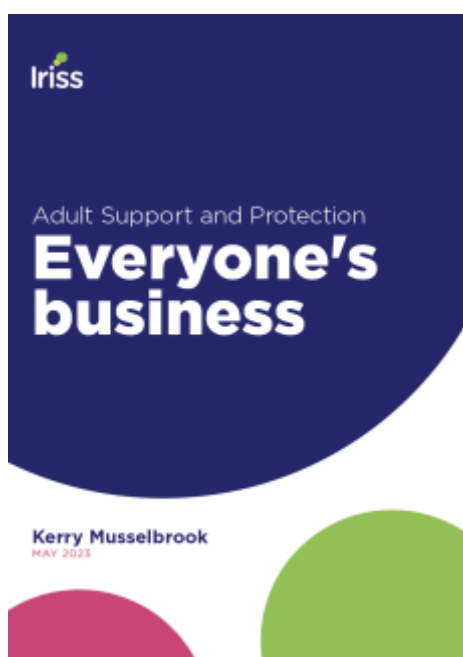
Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for Adults

The Scottish Government recently announced an additional 15 Million pounds for a third year of the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for Adults for 2023/24. The Fund has now provided around 3,300 grants to community organisations delivering mental health and wellbeing support, bringing total investment to £51 million.

Activities will target older people, areas of economic deprivation, people with long-term health conditions or disability and LGBTI communities. The Fund has also had a particular focus on responding to the cost-of-living crisis, which remains a priority this year.

[£15 million mental health funding - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](https://www.gov.scot/resources/consultations-petitions/html/2023/15-million-mental-health-funding)

Adult Support and Protection: everyone's business



Do you want an overview of Adult Support and Protection (ASP), why it matters, and an introduction to key definitions and processes reflecting updated guidance and the revised Code of Practice (2022)? Are you interested in who adults at risk in Scotland are, the key challenges facing ASP in a changed and changing context; why the Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Act, 2007, which defines and provides ASP with its legislative framework, was introduced in the first place?

The report shines a light on adults at risk in Scotland providing a profile of who they are. The data contained within it draws on annual data returns to the Scottish Government which Iriss have helped collate and analyse in recent years. It's also the data contained in today's [statistical release from Scottish Government \(2023\)](#)

National Care Service regional forums

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People and local communities are at the heart of our planning for a new National Care Service.

We're hosting a series of in-person and online forums as part of the development of the National Care Service.

You can [find out more and sign up to the National Care Service regional forums](#).

Here is the **direct link to register** for a session via [National Care Service Events | Eventbrite](#) .

More information can also be found on the [National Care Service](#) page.

Time, Space and Compassion approach to suicidal crisis response

New resources to support Time, Space and Compassion approach to suicidal crisis response

Two new resources were launched on 29 March to support the Time, Space and Compassion approach to suicidal crisis response:

[Scottish Government - Time, Space & Compassion](#)

[Sources of support](#)

Survey on commercial sexual exploitation and staff training and information needs ****For Consideration****

Message from Linda Thompson, National Co-ordinator, Women's Support Project

Dear CPCScotland members

Through CSE Aware we have been developing new resources across the settings of the impact of Commercial Sexual Exploitation on different aspects of women's lives.

We have been linking with practitioners to find out the range of challenges and obstacles there may be to providing support to women involved and we have been engaging with women who are / have been involved in selling or exchanging sex to find out the challenges they can face when accessing services and / or disclosing their experiences.

We have developed a short survey for frontline staff to explore **challenges that women and workers face** regarding disclosures of selling or exchanging sex, and discuss what relevant **supports workers need**. All of this information will be used to develop new information, briefings and resources for practitioners and front line staff. The link to the survey is here <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ZXVX275>. The survey closes on 11th August.

Please feel free to circulate through your teams, your organisations and partnerships

If you require more information Linda can be contacted at Linda@womenssupportproject.org.uk

AWI, in practice - Masterclass

In May 2021, the Mental Welfare Commission of Scotland published 'Authority to Discharge' report. Following this, the Scottish Government agreed to fund a short life project to support a national approach to learning and applying the requirements of the Adults with Incapacity (Scotland) Act 2000, also known as AWI, in practice. The project aims to develop educational resources and opportunities

to address gaps in knowledge across the health, social work and social care workforce in relation to application of AWI.

The AWI Project are now delighted to announce the [Turas Learn Once for Scotland: AWI page](#) is now live. The page is accessible to anyone who is registered for a Turas account, which you can do [here](#). Resources will continue to be added to the page for the duration of the project, due to complete in February 2024. For any difficulties in accessing Turas, please contact their [helpdesk](#) from the home page. The Turas page currently has a recording of the first in a series of Masterclasses delivered in February 2023. The second Masterclass will be held on 24 August 2023, for further details please see the attached flyer.

Here is the [link](#) to the flyer for the second Masterclass.

AWI Mythbusting



<https://sway.office.com/Dqw8tYWd0kbZxK3b#content=diFKODeSesZysv>

Useful Information/Updates

[Hourglass, Scotland - dedicated to calling time on the harm, abuse and exploitation of older people across the United Kingdom](#)

[Criminal exploitation: practitioner guidance](#)

[Tackling criminal exploitation](#)

[Adult Support and Protection, Scotland Statistics, 2019/20 – 2021/22](#)

[Alcohol Change UK](#)

CareFirst Updates

We are aware of some glitches with the CareFirst changes that were implemented to meet the new requirements for ASP national minimum dataset for ASP. These were at ASP 1/2 and sections 2.1.11 to 2.1.17 whereby the questions were in the incorrect order. This has now been resolved by the CareFirst team, however, if you encounter any other issues, please contact us (details below).

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Links:

[ASP webpage \(public\)](#)

[ASP Training webpage](#)

[ASP Training on TURAS](#)

[\(For Protection Professionals ONLY\)](#)



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