

## Safeguarding Declaration

Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust's (LCHS) board of directors take their responsibility for safeguarding very seriously. The trust is therefore making a declaration of compliance with the following aspects of Safeguarding Children, Adults at Risk, Domestic Abuse and **PREVENT**.

- The trust meets the statutory requirements with regards to the carrying out of disclosure and barring service checks.
- All safeguarding policies and systems are up to date and robust, including a process for following up children who miss appointments and a system for flagging children for whom there are safeguarding concerns. All safeguarding policies are reviewed on an annual basis or as guidance changes.
- Staff and volunteers have completed and are up to date with safeguarding children and adult training at appropriate level. Level 1 and 2 are carried out at induction within two months for all staff starting within the trust. All safeguarding training is reviewed on an annual basis.
- Our corporate safeguarding team are clear about their roles and have sufficient time and support to undertake them
- There is a board level executive director lead for safeguarding; namely Lisa Green (Director of Nursing and Operations) and a Non-Executive Director who champions and scrutinises LCHS's safeguarding governance. The board reviews safeguarding across the organisation at least four times a year and has robust internal and external audit programmes to ensure that safeguarding systems and processes are working well.
- The Trust continues to ensure that all clinical staff are aware of the Government's **PREVENT** strategy and have robust processes in place to ensure that any service user who may be at risk of radicalisation is identified and supported through the CHANNEL process.

The Board receives quarterly reports and an annual report and work programme across the five safeguarding domains namely safeguarding children, looked after children, adults at risk, domestic abuse and **PREVENT**. The board is assured that LCHS adheres to good practice, and that appropriate arrangements are in place.