

7-minute Briefing:

Statutory Notifications to BSAB Initial **Protocol**

1. Background: Under the 2014 Care Act, notifications of serious incidents and deaths are a statutory duty for professionals to their local Safeguarding Adults Boards (SABs) and cannot be determined by a single-agency; only by the Independent Chair for each SAB.

Under this duty, all professionals must notify if an adult has died or has been at risk of death with a serious injury when living in Bexley as soon as they become aware.



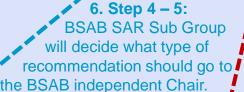
7. Questions

You can read more about the SAR process



www.safeguardingadultsinbexley.com

You can email BSAB at anytime bsab@bexley.gov.uk



This should be done within 5 working days of the SAR Sub Group meeting.

The BSAB Business Team will coordinate all the aspects of the SAR Sub Group. SAR Recommendation ensuring the BSAB Independent Chair is The BSAB SAR Sub Group alerted to make a decision on what review (if any) will be commissioned by the Board.

Note: Regardless of decision, the BSAB Independent Chair will write to the Statutory Partners informing them of their decision and expectations.

Timescale for this is up to 30 working days.

have a duty to notify. Notifications are not the sole responsibility of Adult Social Care alone; but it is a partnership duty.

2. Why it matters to you:

The aim of a Notification is to alert the BSAB of a potential case where a review to determine what agencies involved could have done differently can be requested.

As a professional working in Bexley, you





3. Step 1:

Alert the BSAB of any potential cases where concerns are regarding the death or serious incident by

Emailing this Notification Form to - bsab@bexley.gov.uk

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4. Step 2:

Once you have emailed BSAB@Bexley.gov.uk with the Notification Form, the BSAB Business Team will send will contact you within 5 working days.

You may be asked to send more information or complete a Scoping Form - if you are asked the form is due back within 5 working days.

Why? The statutory guidance says we should complete any reviews within 6 months of being notified; therefore it is very important that partners work swiftly to alert the BSAB so that immediate learning can be embedded to ensure those at risk are protected from any immediate risks.

5. Step 3:

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Once you have submitted the Scoping Form, the BSAB Business Team will alert the Chair of the Board's

meets quarterly; however if an alert comes in and there is greater than 30 days until the next scheduled meeting, an extraordinary meeting will be called to review the Scoping Form.

Note: You may be invited to attend this meeting to speak to your Notification and offer any additional information.