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Workshop 1 - Forensic Aspects of Adult Safeguarding

Examination and Documentation

Date 11/05/2022 13:30-17:00

Facilitators: Elisabeth Alton (EA), Keith Rix (KR), Margaret Stark (MS)

Pre-reading

Injuries:

Payne-James JJ, Stark MM, Nittis M, Sheasby D. Chapter 4 Injury Assessment, Documentation, and Interpretation. In Stark MM. (2020) Editor. Clinical Forensic Medicine. A Physician's Guide. Fourth edition. Springer Nature Switzerland.

Gall J. & Payne-James JJ. Injury interpretation: Possible errors and fallacies. Chapter 9. pp.253-255 In Current Practice in Forensic Medicine. Wiley-Blackwell, Chichester, West Sussex, 2011

Saukko P. & Knight B. The Pathology of wounds. Chapter 4. pp. 133. In Knight's Forensic Pathology. Fourth Edition. CRC Press, Boca Raton, 2016

Acting as a witness:

Rix K. Forensic clinicians (physicians, nurses and paramedics) as witnesses in criminal proceedings FFLM October 2020 <https://fflm.ac.uk/resources/publications/recommendations-forensic-clinicians-as-witnesses-in-criminal-proceedings/>

Forensic sampling:

Recommendations for the collection of forensic specimens from complainants and suspects – January 2022 <https://fflm.ac.uk/resources/publications/recommendations-for-the-collection-of-forensic-specimens-from-complainants-and-suspects/>
<https://fflm.ac.uk/publications/recommendations-for-the-collection-of-forensic-specimens-from-complainants-and-suspects-the-evidence/>

Adult Safeguarding – a Toolkit

<https://www.bma.org.uk/media/1792/bma-adult-safeguarding-full-toolkit-2018.pdf>

RCGP Adult Safeguarding Toolkit

<https://www.rcgp.org.uk/clinical-and-research/resources/toolkits/adult-safeguarding-toolkit.aspx>

Photography in Custody and Sexual Assault Referral Centres Working Group Guidelines on photography

<https://fflm.ac.uk/resources/publications/pics-working-group-guidelines-on-photography>

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Agenda

- 13:30 - 14:00 Welcome - Set the scene - Presentation of a case (SAR/S42)** **EA**
- Learning objectives:
- Understanding the need for a service
 - Consideration of the safeguarding issues
- 14:00 - 14:45 Consent for examination** **KR**
- Learning objectives:
- Understand consent
 - Demonstrate the ability to assess capacity and formulate a best interests decision
- 14:45 -15:00 Break**
- 15:00 – 16:00 Documentation & interpretation of common injuries** **MS**
- Learning objectives:
- Describe the common injuries
 - Outline the issues to consider in the documentation and interpretation
 - Awareness of forensic sampling requirements
- 16:00 - 16:30 How to write an Adult Safeguarding Medical Report (S42 Inquiry)** **EA**
- 16:30 - 17:00 Question & Answer Session**

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Workshop 2 - Forensic Aspects of Adult Safeguarding

Working in partnership

Agenda

22/06/2022 13:30-17:00

- 13:30 – 13:40 Welcome back** EA
- 13:40 – 14:30 What to do if the police get involved?
Statement Writing & Courtroom skills** MS
- Learning objectives:
- Outline the purpose of the witness statement
 - Describe the basic construction of the statement
 - Discuss the content
 - Explore the differing types of statements you may be asked to write
 - Illustrate the importance of (peer/clinical lead/expert) review
 - Identify useful courtroom skills
- 14:30 - 15:00 Working together - Adult social care**
Hannah Feeney, Principal Social Worker
- 15:00 – 15:15 Break**
- 15:15 – 15:45 Documenting injuries quiz** MS
- 15:45 – 16:15 Working together- a police perspective**
Richard Sage, Humberside Police
- 16:15 – 16:45 History taking when the person is cognitively impaired –
Q and A Session with Professor Alistair Burns**
- 16:45 – 17:00 Next steps – Closing comments, next steps, FFLM Forensic Adult
Safeguarding Forum** EA MS

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Biographies of facilitators

Dr Elisabeth Alton MA MB BS MRCP

Elisabeth is a named GP for safeguarding in N.Lincs and East Riding of Yorkshire CCGs. She has a particular interest in safeguarding adults. She has a Masters in Safeguarding Adults, Law Policy and Procedure from Keele University.

Along with Dr Joy Shacklock she co-produced the RCGP Adult Safeguarding Toolkit. Elisabeth sat on the NICE MCA Guidelines Committee and has worked extensively in implementing good practice around the MCA in CCGs nationally. Currently she is involved in research into safeguarding in care homes in conjunction with the Department of Health and Social Care at Hull University.

Her interest in forensic examination of adults who are at risk of harm stems from being involved in safeguarding adult reviews where the victim has been injured and realising the inequality of service between children and adults that currently exists.

Professor Keith J.B. Rix BMedBiol (Hons), MPhil, LL.M, MD, FRCPsych, Hon FFLM

Keith Rix's involvement in the forensic field began in the 1960's when he lived in hostels in London with ex-offenders and assessed prisoners for hostel admission. In 1983 he moved to Leeds as senior lecturer in psychiatry. There he became a visiting consultant psychiatrist at HM Prison, Leeds, and established the Leeds Magistrates' Court Mental Health Assessment and Diversion Scheme and the city's forensic psychiatry service. He has provided expert evidence for over 35 years, including on a *pro bono* basis in capital cases in the Caribbean and Africa. He is the editor of *A Handbook for Trainee Psychiatrists*, co-author, with his wife Elizabeth Lumsden Rix, of *Alcohol Problems* and co-editor of *Rix's Expert Psychiatric Evidence* which includes a chapter on assessment of capacity cases. He is a former Chairman of the Fitness to Practise Panel of the Medical Practitioners Tribunal and part-time lecturer in the Department of Law, De Montfort University, Leicester. He is now Visiting Professor of Medical Jurisprudence, University of Chester, Honorary Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist, Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust and Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Lead, Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians.

Professor Margaret Stark LL.M MSc (Med Ed) FFLM (Founding) FACBS FHEA FACLM FRCP FFCFM(RCPA) RCPATHME DGM DMJ DAB (Dist)

Margaret Stark is the Immediate Past-President of the Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine (FFLM). She is Chair of the Forensic Science Sub-Committee, Lead Facilitator for the Faculty's course in General Forensic Medicine, and an educational

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advisor for the Faculty's examinations. She has been a forensic physician for over 32 years, currently working with the Metropolitan Police Service (MPS). She was the first Medical Director of the Forensic Healthcare Service in London and was also the Director of the Clinical Forensic Medicine Unit for NSW Police, based in Sydney, from 2011 – 2014.

She has a Master of Science in Medical Education from UCL, and a Master in Law from Cardiff and is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy. She was the Founding Academic Dean for the FFLM and was awarded the David Jenkins Professorship in Forensic and Legal Medicine 2011/12 and was an Adjunct Professor at Sydney University from 2012-2015. She is a Visiting Professor at Teesside University. She has written extensively in the field and is Editor of 'Clinical Forensic Medicine', the fourth edition published in January 2020. She has been involved in a number of qualitative and quantitative research projects on a range of topics including custodial care, forensic science, death certification, education and training, injuries and the use of force, substance misuse, and traffic medicine, including the UK Government research into cannabis and driving.

Professor Alistair Burns CBE FRCP, FRCPsych, MD, MPhil

Alistair Burns is Professor of Old Age Psychiatry at The University of Manchester and an Honorary Consultant Old Age Psychiatrist in the Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust. He is Director of the Manchester Institute for Collaborative Research on Ageing (MICRA) and the National Clinical Director for Dementia and Older People's Mental Health at NHS England and NHS Improvement. He graduated in medicine from Glasgow University in 1980, training in psychiatry at the Maudsley Hospital and Institute of Psychiatry in London. He became the Foundation Chair of Old Age Psychiatry in The University of Manchester in 1992, where he has variously been Head of the Division of Psychiatry and a Vice Dean in the Faculty of Medical and Human Sciences, with responsibility for liaison within the NHS. He set up the Memory Clinic in Manchester and helped establish the old age liaison psychiatry service at Wythenshawe Hospital. He is a Past President of the International Psychogeriatric Association. He was Editor of the International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry for twenty years, (retiring in 2017) and is on the Editorial Boards of the British Journal of Psychiatry and International Psychogeriatrics. His research and clinical interests are in mental health problems of older people, particularly dementia and Alzheimer's disease. He has published over 300 papers and 25 books. He was made an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Psychiatrists in 2016, received the lifetime achievement award from their old age Faculty in 2015 and was awarded the CBE in 2016 for contributions to health and social care, in particular dementia.

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Hannah Feeney - Principal Social Worker, Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

Hannah Feeney is the Principal Social Worker for East Riding of Yorkshire Council Adult Social Care Services. Hannah has been a practicing Social Worker, Leader and Manager within Adult Services, both in the statutory sector and within the private, voluntary, and independent sector. More recently, Hannah held a lectureship at The University of Hull, teaching on the Social Work pre-qualifying programmes in the Faculty of Health Sciences. Hannah has experience of all areas of adult social work practice but has advanced knowledge and skills in working within a multi-disciplinary approach to provide appropriate health and social care responses to people with multiple and complex needs, including safeguarding those at risk from others and safeguarding others from the risks posed by individuals with care and support needs. Hannah's current role has many areas of focus, one of which is to support the safeguarding practices of East Riding of Yorkshire Council Adult Services through workforce development, training, and practice leadership, ensuring that high regard to adult safeguarding is upheld across the service.

Richard Sage, Humberside Police

I joined the police in 1993 in Essex and served with them until 2017. I have held a variety of roles within the police in both uniform and CID/Specialist Investigative roles.

As a uniform officer I have experience in patrol/response, public order, neighbourhood policing, tactical firearms command and contact centre management.

In 2012 I was appointed as Detective Inspector and given responsibility for volume crime offences within a busy Essex town.

In 2013, I moved to a specialist investigative role within a public protection environment.

In 2017 I transferred to Humberside Police where I took up a role within the CID moving back into public protection in 2018.

Earlier this year I was posted to the safeguarding governance unit which is my current posting to date.