## Adult Safeguarding – Wednesday 30 June 2021

## **Dr Elisabeth Alton**

Elisabeth started working as a general practitioner in 1989. She was a partner in a practice in Beverley from 1998 leaving recently to pursue her interest in adult safeguarding. Elisabeth became a named GP for safeguarding adults in 2014. Completing a Master's degree in Safeguarding adults and the law at Keele University created many opportunities. A particular interest in the MCA led to her sitting on the NICE Decision-making and Mental Capacity guideline committee [NG108], as well as representing primary care on the National Mental Capacity Forum senior leadership committee. Recently she has completed a piece of research regarding the interface of primary care, care homes and the difficulties of recognising and reporting abuse.

The challenge of recognising non-accidental injuries in safeguarding adults has led to a collaboration with the FFLM and NHSE&I to improve outcomes for adults at risk of harm. This work is on-going.

