



Faculty of Forensic & Legal Medicine

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Faculty of Forensic & Legal Medicine Virtual Adult Safeguarding Day Tuesday 18 April 2023

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Programme

Morning Session chaired by Dr Elisabeth Alton

- 09:50 – 10:00 **Introduction to the day**
- 10:00 – 10:45 **Inherent Jurisdiction – “the great safety net”**
Polly Sweeney, Partner, Rook Irwin Sweeney LLP
Learning objective: When to consider and use the inherent jurisdiction with case examples.
- 10:45 – 11:30 **The Forensic Challenges of Evidence Preservation, Recovery and Process**
Tania Hammond, Senior Lecturer in Policing, University of the West of England, Bristol
Learning objectives: Identifying the challenges of evidence preservation, recovery and process. Discussing the parameters of the evidence and a multi-discipline approach to safeguarding adults.
- 11:30 – 11:45 **Break**
- 11:45 – 12:30 **Domestic Homicide Reviews and Adults At Risk From Harm**
Mark Yexley, Associate Chair, Standing Together Against Domestic Abuse and Independent Chair, Domestic Homicide Reviews
Learning objective: Understanding the added complexities when a victim of domestic abuse is an adult with care and support needs.
- 12:30 – 13:00 **Panel Discussion**
- 13:00 – 13:45 **Break for Lunch**
- Afternoon Session chaired by Prof Margaret Stark*
- 13:45 – 14:30 **The Humber Forensic Project - What have we learnt?**
Dr Elisabeth Alton, Named GP Safeguarding Adults Humber and North Yorkshire ICS, Clinical lead Forensic Project
Learning objectives: What groups of adults are vulnerable, what type of injuries do they sustain, and how to engage the multi-disciplinary team for better outcomes.
- 14:30 – 15:15 **The Pathologists Perspective and Limitations of the Post Mortem**
Dr Anna Rycroft, Consultant Autopsy Pathologist
Learning objective: What can the views of a pathologist add and what are the limitations of post mortem findings.
- 15:15 – 15:30 **Panel Discussion**
- 15:30 – 16:00 **Questions & Closing Comments**