

Curricula Vitae – Mick Haggart

Specialist Areas

- Adult Social Care Training and Development
- Adult Social Care Consultancy
- Case Audits and reviews
- Mental Capacity Act social work
- Independent Chairing of Safeguarding Adult Reviews
- Safeguarding Adults Training and Support
- Best Interest Assessments
- Service Improvement
- Liberty Protection Safeguards
- Social Work Assessments and Enquiries

Summary of Experience

Mick has over 30 years' experience in social care, 24 years as a qualified social worker with 15 specialising in Safeguarding Adults. He is a Qualified as an independent Best Interests Assessor under Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards and is already training social workers and other professionals in the new Liberty Protection Safeguards that will come into force later in 2021. He has detailed knowledge of the latest legal and national policy context of Safeguarding Adults, including contributing to the development of previous Pan London Procedures, Protecting Adults at Risk.

He has over 7 years' experience as the lead officer, overseeing the implementation of Safeguarding Adults in two London boroughs and is a specialist in all aspects of Adult Safeguarding, including case work audit; training; service improvement through process redesign, independent investigations both undertaken and overseen as the independent chair of strategy meetings and case conferences; presenting evidence at Coroner's Court; an independent author of numerous Safeguarding Adults Reviews under S44 of the Care Act 2014 and, in 2017, completed accreditation with SCIE for undertaking SARs using Learning Together methodology.

Summary of Employment

- 2009-to date **Consultant and Trainer**, Independent investigator, Auditor of MCA Assessments, Consultant for Serious Case Reviews, Design and Delivery of Safeguarding Adults Training for a number of local authorities, Mental Health Trusts and provider agencies
- 2005-09 **Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Senior Coordinator**, Wandsworth Adult Social Services
- 2003-05 **Senior Social Worker/ASW**, Wandsworth Community Learning Disabilities Team, Specialist social work post for people with learning disabilities and mental health problems.
- 2000-03 **Intensive Outreach Social Worker/ASW**, Joint Homelessness Team, Westminster Social Services

- 1995-2000 **Approved Social Worker**, Victoria CMHT, Westminster Social Services, Social work practitioner to clients with complex mental health problems
- 1984-95 Various residential, day centre and community-based provider services work with both adults and children with learning disabilities and mental health problems.

Qualifications and Membership of Professional and Other Bodies

Mick has 9 G.C.E 'O' Levels and 3 'A' Levels, a BSc (Hons.) Psychology (University of Exeter), a Diploma in Social Work (The University of London, Goldsmiths College, 1995) has a Mental Health Social Work Award from CCETSW in 1997 and has been a 'Learning Together Accredited Reviewer' for SCIE since 2017 and Best Interests Assessor.

He is a registered social worker with Social Work England.

Key Training Achievements

- Developed comprehensive multi-agency training strategies, designed and delivered a large range of Safeguarding Adults training including:
- Basic Awareness ½ day courses to service providers, carer's groups, health professionals and other working in adult social care
- S42 enquiries Training 1,2, 3 and 4 day courses, & Advanced Enquiry Officer Courses for social work staff
- Managing Investigations and Chairing Case Conferences, (Role of the SAM) for managers
- Working with Vulnerable Victims of Crime, for victim support service
- Achieving Best Evidence, Met Police
- Mental Capacity and Best Interest Decisions
- E-learning packages designed for Local Authority
- Train the trainers, to roll out a Basic Awareness training program across large organisations
- Range of other specialist courses delivered to variety of professionals involved in Safeguarding Adults, including Prevention of Abuse, Working with Hard to Engage Clients, Personalisation and Adult Safeguarding, Risk Assessment, Protection Planning, Registered Provider's duties under the Disclosure & Barring Scheme, Mate Crime, Self-Neglect and Safeguarding.

Current and Recent Consultancy/Facilitation Projects

- Established and managed successful independent Company, specializing in all aspects of Safeguarding Adults work across Adult Social Care/ Mental Health Services
- Designed and managed a specialist team to support all Safeguarding Adults practice across a local authority
- Independent auditor of MCA Assessments and Safeguarding Adults Enquiries for London Boroughs

- Independent Safeguarding investigations undertaken, on behalf of statutory and voluntary services
- Independent chair of complex safeguarding investigation into institutional abuse in psychiatric hospital
- Independent Consultant for Serious Case Reviews and SARs, including use of Learning Together, IMRs and Overview Report Author
- Use of Action Learning Sets in the process and facilitation of a Learning Event after completion of SCR report, to disseminate recommendations
- Service Re-design of Adult Safeguarding Process for a Local Authority