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Welcome to the October edition of the Single Unified Safeguarding Review Bulletin.

We have now passed the one year mark of implementation of the SUSR! In this year, 27 SUSRs have been commissioned. We hope to start receiving SUSR reports early in the new year.

The Terms of Reference for the Year One Review of the SUSR have been finalised and signed off by the Ministerial Board.

The review will commence towards the end of the year.

News

The Co-ordination Hub, in conjunction with the Victim and Family Reference Group, are developing a resource for Reviewers and Chairs on engaging with perpetrators and alleged perpetrators as part of the SUSR process. We want to hear from Reviewers and Chairs about what they want from this resource. Do you have concerns or queries that you think the resource should cover? Do you have experience of engaging with a perpetrator

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Commissioned SUSRs

There has been 1 SUSR commissioned in October, therefore the total number of SUSRs commissioned since 1st October 2024 is now **28**



Child Practice: 15

Adult Practice: 4

Domestic Abuse Related: 5

Mental Health Homicide: 2

Joint Reviews: 2

or alleged perpetrator that might be helpful in informing best practice? We also want to trial this resource with a small group of Reviewers and Chairs before it is finalised and circulated more widely. If this is something that interests you, please get in touch with us at [SUSRWales.gov.wales](https://www.susrwales.gov.wales).

The iFramework in Practice

We have received the following update from a Safeguarding Board staff member:

Following Dr Michelle McManus' insightful presentation on the Wales Recommendation iFramework and the role of AI in strengthening safeguarding recommendations, I applied AI tools to support the development of recommendations on a recent Single Unified Safeguarding Review. I firstly inputted the recommendations that the Reviewers had written and uploaded the iFramework into AI. Using the seven key dimensions of the iFramework—Issue, Intention, Implications, Implementation, Involvement, Intersection, and Impact—AI enabled a systematic assessment of each recommendation. It provided structured scoring and feedback, highlighting areas of strength and identifying where improvements were needed. For instance, AI flagged recommendations where the issue was not clearly articulated, or where implementation plans lacked realistic timeframes. The process helped to enhance consistency, ensuring each recommendation was actionable. AI's ability to interpret and apply the framework criteria has helped to create clearer, more impactful safeguarding recommendations.

We are keen to hear from others who are incorporating the iFramework into their review practice.

We want to hear from you!

Please share any good practice identified as part of a SUSR with the Co-ordination Hub at SUSRWales@gov.wales

Training

Online SUSR awareness sessions for senior leaders are being held on 24th November, 9th December, 22nd January and 27th February (9.30am-12pm). Sessions will cover:

- An overview of the SUSR process and its key principles
- How organisations are represented
- The role and responsibilities of Panel Members
- The role of the Regional Safeguarding Board and its Case Review Group
- The SUSR report, recommendations and publication

For further information and to book a space, contact your Regional Safeguarding Board

National Safeguarding Week

A reminder that National Safeguarding Week will run from Monday the 10th to Friday the 14th November this year. The Safeguarding Boards have developed a fantastic programme of events for their regions covering many different aspects of safeguarding including online harm, child sexual abuse, mental capacity, safeguarding in sport and exploitation, to name a few. Programmes are available on some Boards' websites or by request from the Business Units.