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Training modules

Let's Work Together - Cannock Chase is providing a wide range of training programmes to service managers and home visitors across Cannock Chase District. The training will help to spot risks, and advise practitioners where to go next.

Dementia

Delivered by: Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Partnership NHS Trust

The module will cover the following key areas: an overview of dementia, pop quiz on dementia facts, what is challenging behaviour and possible causes and communication skills in dementia.

Carers

Delivered by: Carers Association Southern Staffordshire

The module will offer an insight into carers and will cover the following areas: an overview of the Carers Association, who a carer is, what do carers actually do, number of carers, the impact of caring and what support is available to carers.

Falls

Delivered by: Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Partnership NHS Trust

The module will provide an overview of what the service does and offers; how to make referrals including general criteria. It will also provide examples of what to look out for when visiting service users at home and will demonstrate exercises and falls specific equipment.

Medicine management

Delivered by: South Staffordshire Local Pharmaceutical Company

The module will provide an insight into medicines and what types of issues patients have with managing their medicines. It will also highlight the signs to watch out for when visiting people which might suggest that a person is struggling to take their medicines.



Smoking

Delivered by: Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Partnership NHS Trust

The module will provide an overview of the following: risks of smoking, why it is hard for people to quit focusing on the addiction and habit, support available to quit, medication and details of local stop smoking service referrals.

Weight management

Delivered by: Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Partnership NHS Trust

The module will provide an overview of Waistlines, the free NHS adult weight management service in Staffordshire. Discussions will be held around how weight is classified and how to approach the subject of weight management with individuals. The relationship between being overweight and the health risk factors together with the benefits of weight loss will also be considered.

Fuel poverty

Delivered by: Beat the Cold

The module will offer an overview of the following: health risks from the cold and cold homes, vulnerable groups, warning signs, what help is available, introduction to some of the more specialised sources of help, support from Beat the Cold and partner agencies and the definition and nature of fuel poverty.

Crime and anti-social behaviour

Delivered by: Staffordshire Police

The module will cover distraction burglaries. It will provide information which will help to reduce crime and the fear of crime; improve the quality of life for vulnerable people; build a local response to a local issue; increase the chances of capturing an offender; gather and share intelligence and expand the 'Police family'.

WRAP (Workshop Raising Awareness of Prevent)

Delivered by: Staffordshire Police Prevent Team

The module will offer an insight into the ethos behind Prevent. It explores the vulnerabilities and behaviours of potential victims to radicalisation. It will cover two case studies and also explain the referral and intervention processes.





Loan sharks

Delivered by: England Illegal Money Lending Team

The module will provide awareness of loan sharks, an explanation of information and intelligence, the effects of illegal money lenders on their victims, and will show how partner agencies can make a difference.

Olive Branch (Fire Safety)

Delivered by: Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service

Oliver Branch will show how to spot fire safety dangers in people's homes which partners go in and show how to refer to the Fire Service for a Home Fire Risk Check. This is based on a true story of how partners are aware about vulnerable people in the community but don't refer on. Sadly, on this occasion someone lost their life.

Isolation

Delivered by: Age UK

The module will highlight the Eat Well malnutrition support project including how to spot signs of under-nutrition in older people and presenting evidence about the impact on older people of loneliness and isolation.

There are estimated to be 1 million older people who are chronically lonely, which increases the risk of mental and physical illness. Age UK are leading a number of local projects to reduce loneliness, and are able to engage with local partners to reinforce this support and ensure sustainable impacts and outcomes.



Referral Process

A referral process has also been introduced that is assisting home visitors to help local people get the support they need from the full range of local agencies.

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