British Geriatrics Society

Improving healthcare for older people

South West Region Spring Meeting

5th March 2020 Engineers House, Bristol

09:00	Registration
Topic 1: Safeguarding older adults	
09:20	09:20 Welcome and housekeeping
11:00	09:30 Self-neglect in Older Adults Ms Suzanne Boocock, Specialist Safeguarding Practitioner, NBT Safeguarding team
	10:15 Violence and abuse against people aged 60 and over in the UK Dr Hannah Bows, Assistant Professor in Criminal Law and Director of Equality and Diversity, Durham Law School
	11:00 Coffee
11:30 - 13:00	11:30 Recognising and responding to signs of elder abuse Dr Amy Hamm, Regional Lead Sexual Offence Examiner, Southwest of England, G4S
13.00	12:15 Top Tips and terminology; describing injuries Dr Michelle Cutland, Consultant paediatrician, clinical director, The Bridge SARC
	13:00 Lunch
Topic 2: Surgical liaison	
14:00 - 15:30	14:00 Geriatric Perioperative Medicine and Major Trauma Dr Philip Braude, Consultant geriatrician, North Bristol NHS Trust
	14:45 Practical advice for clinicians: Head and C-spine injury Sarah Ibitoye, Acute medicine ST6, North Bristol NHS Trust
15:30 Coffee	
15:45 -	15:45 Advice for Clinicians - Thoracic Injuries Dr Frances Rickard, Geriatric Medicine SpR, Perioperative Medicine Fellow, North Bristol NHS Trust
16:45	16.30 Summary and close of Meeting

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Speaker biographies

Ms Suzanne Boocock

I am a Registered Nurse and Specialist Safeguarding Practitioner in an acute Hospital Trust. I advise and train staff members on all aspects of Children's and Adult's Safeguarding. Some of the areas covered are the Mental Capacity Act, DoLS, Domestic Abuse, Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, Radicalization, Abuse and Neglect categories, FGM and allegations against staff.

Our department has been working to improve practice in mental capacity assessments and best interest decisions.

Self-neglect in Older Adults

Self-neglect can be extremely challenging for professionals. One of the key principles of Safeguarding is empowerment of the individual and it can be difficult to determine when to interfere with an individual's right to make their own choices.

Therefore, I will be focusing on the statutory responsibilities of acute hospital trusts in relation to selfneglect in the older adult. This will be illustrated via the use of local Safeguarding Adult reviews and case law.

Dr Hannah Bows

Hannah is currently an Assistant Professor in Criminal Law and Director of Equality and Diversity within Durham Law School. She is Co-Director of the Centre for Criminal Law and Criminal Justice and Deputy Director of the Centre for Research into Violence and Abuse (CRiVA). Her research interests are broadly located within the fields of violence against women, victimology, feminist and socio-legal theory.

Violence and abuse against people aged 60 and over in the UK

Older people (those aged 60 and over) have traditionally been considered no risk, or at the very least low risk, for all crime. This has included violence and abuse, particularly by partners or family members, which has been viewed as a young persons problem. However, contemporary evidence reveals the incidence of different forms of violence and abuse against older people, challenging the long held assumptions about older people as victims and offenders. This paper presents the findings from two recent studies examining sexual violence and homicide against older people in the UK. Implications for policy and practice are discussed.

Dr Amy Hamm

In addition to Forensics I have speciality experience of Paediatrics and Obstetrics & gynaecology. I trained to become a Sexual offence examiner in 2011. At that time I was a paediatric doctor with an interest in child protection, safeguarding & forensics. I have a postgraduate certificate in Forensic medicine at masters level from Teesside University & have completed the St Mary's SARC Forensic Medical Examination for Rape & Sexual Assault Course. I have obtained the RCPCH Diploma in Child Health (DCH) and membership of the Royal College of Paediatrics & Child Health, the FFLM Diploma in Legal Medicine (DLM) and membership of the Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine & Membership of the Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine. I was offered an opportunity to work for G4S to utilise and maximise my skills and now work as Regional Lead Sexual Offence Examiner for the Southwest of England covering Devon, Cornwall, Avon & Somerset, Gloucester, Wiltshire & Dorset.

Recognising and responding to signs of elder abuseThe elderly are a vulnerable group and recognising signs of abuse is essential for healthcare professionals to be able to protect these patients.

Dr Michelle Cutland

I am a consultant paediatrician with expertise in safeguarding children and sexual abuse. My current role is as the clinical director for the children's SARC based in Bristol. I also work as a health practice improvement advisor for the centre of expertise on child sexual abuse. Previous roles have included the named doctor for safeguarding children.

Top Tips and terminology; describing injuries

This session will provide an overview of the terms and phrases that can be used when describing injuries with reference to the evidence base

Dr Philip Braude

Dr Philip Braude is a consultant geriatrician working at North Bristol NHS Trust.

Dr Frances Rickard

Dr Frances Rickard is an SpR in Geriatric Medicine and Perioperative Medicine Fellow at North Bristol NHS Trust.

Advice for Clinicians - Thoracic Injuries

An overview of recommended management of rib fractures and thoracic injuries in older people. Advice regarding imaging, risk stratification, analgesia, and place of care.

Dr Sarah Ibitoye

ST6 registrar in Acute Internal Medicine, with a special interest in Perioperative Medicine, including care of Geriatric Trauma

Practical advice for clinicians: Head and C-spine injury

Advice for clinicians on the management of traumatic head and c-spine injuries. Management of anticoagulation, who should be operated on, and what the evidence says about outcomes after head injury. C-spine injuries and the perils of the hard-collar.