

Fabricated and Induced Illness

LSCB “Practice Points” Learning Scenarios

To be discussed in Team/Group Sessions – 15 minute discussion

The LSCB Learning & Development subcommittee invite you, in team meetings or during group supervision, up to four times a year to discuss a child safeguarding issue. We encourage responses to be included in your team minutes and forwarded to the safeguarding lead within your organisation.

We hope that this is a way in which frontline staff across the city can explore some areas of learning without the need to attend formal training. It should also highlight areas of further learning.

We are happy to provide assistance with access to relevant learning materials.

Consider the following question, and discuss.....



A mother of a 6 year old boy who has 74% attendance at school presents to you with vague, unusual & changing symptoms which have not responded to treatment. Mother says that she saw the school nurse, GP and several Paediatricians, as well as several urgent A & E admissions, but says that no one is helping

What would you do to assist this young person?



Points for discussion:

How would you progress this matter?

Would you advise the family of your concerns?

Would you require further information from other agencies?

What further information would you want from mother and child?

What is your role in this situation?

How would you assess the risk?

If you are leading this discussion here is information for you to investigate to assist with the discussion:

Brighton LSCB

<http://www.brightonandhovelscb.org.uk/>

NHS Choices: Fabricated and Induced Illness

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/fabricated-or-induced-illness/pages/introduction.aspx>

NHS Choices: Diagnosing Fabricated and Induced Illness

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/fabricated-or-induced-illness/pages/diagnosis.aspx>

NSPCC: Fabricated or induced illness in children: a rare form of child abuse?

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/inform/research/briefings/fii_wda83361.html

Pan Sussex Child Protection Procedures

www.sussexchildprotection.procedures.org.uk/

There may be other information available, and links to these maybe held within the information above.....