

## “Jo” Rapid Review 7 Minute Briefing

### **1. Learning**

The multi-agency understanding of parental mental health needs to be strengthened to assess risks that may impact on the child including side effects of parental medication, and liaison with primary care.

The MA response to Domestic Abuse referrals should be strengthened to include the use of DA tools including DASH at the time the notification is received.

### **2. Learning**

There is a need to explore the reasons for perceived “non-engagement” and understand the impact on the child.

Multi-agency decision making regarding whether to progress to a strategy meeting should include the rationale and how the multi-agency information sharing, and risk analysis will take place if a strategy discussion is not required.

### **3. Learning**

There was good communication with housing services, it may have been beneficial to involve housing earlier in the process.

### **4. Strengths in Practice**

Timely referral, screening, notification to Operation Encompass, case allocation, SW visit and assessment.

Good recording of how concerns were explored and the views and experiences of the parents.

Good communication between SW and Health Visitor; and SW and Housing which increased local community intelligence.

### **5. Recommendations**

SRFT 0-19 service to review their process and guidance regarding families who opt out of services.

Operation Encompass Working Group to consider: the use of DA tools; the links from 0-19 service with GPs, the role of Housing.

### **6. Recommendations**

GMP to assure SSCP regarding how the JTAI learning about DA notifications and screening has been addressed.

Ensure the assessment of parental Mental Health and the impact of this is known and understood at the earliest opportunity when a referral is made.

## **7. Impact of the review**

There will be a consistent multi-agency response to declined services and perceived non-engagement through utilisation of the principles and tools of the Family Partnership Model.

A parental mental health toolkit, training package and pathways are being strengthened in the partnership

Building on the strengths of the DA tools and approach in practice system wide- ensuring right support at the right time.

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### **Additional Information**

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