

September 2025 Newsletter

As everyone is turning their attention to the New School Term, TSCP have included some dates for diaries that will provide relevant and helpful information that you can share with colleagues and the children, young people and families you work with and support.

Dates for your diary

3 September	Children may be walking to school for the first time, this link provides information to help prepare Walking to school alone: Preparing to make the journey safely
10 September	World Suicide Prevention Day
22- 28 September	International Week of Deaf People 2025 Event Calendar
22-26 September	ICON Week 2025 - ICON Cope
Up to 21 September	Out-of-School Settings DfE Call for Evidence



Greater Manchester Combined Authority

[GMCA](#) is a great source of relevant and useful information, please take a look at what is on offer.



Workshops and Events

The latest courses, workshops and events
[| Greater Manchester Moving](#)

EYFS Safeguarding Requirements Strengthened from September 2025

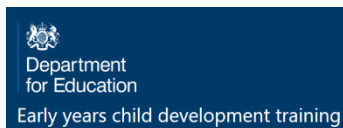
From **September 2025**, the **Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)** statutory framework will be updated to introduce **stronger safeguarding measures** across all early years settings.

Key changes include:

- **Safer recruitment:** Providers must now obtain references and include safer recruitment procedures in safeguarding policies
- **Child absences:** Settings must follow up on prolonged absences and hold additional emergency contact details
- **Safer eating:** Children must be seated safely while eating, with supervision at all times. Providers should minimise distractions and record any choking incidents requiring intervention
- **Safeguarding training:** All practitioners must renew training every two years. A new annex outlines minimum standards for safeguarding courses.
- **Paediatric First Aid (PFA):** Students and trainees must have PFA training to be included in staff ratios.
- **Whistleblowing:** New requirements aim to support staff in escalating safeguarding concerns confidently.
- **Privacy and toileting:** Settings must balance children's privacy with safeguarding during nappy changing and toileting.

These changes are designed to enhance child safety, align with best practice, and respond to lessons learned from previous incidents.

For full details, visit the [Government EYFS guidance](#). The TSCP website also provides local safeguarding updates and resources



The Department for Education is offering **free online training** to support early years practitioners in understanding and promoting child development—including reception.

This course is designed for **childminders, nurseries, and early years settings**, and offers:

- **A comprehensive overview** of child development
- **Practical tips and ideas** to apply in your setting
- **Opportunities to reflect** on your practice
- **Learning checks and end-of-module tests** to reinforce understanding
- **Downloadable certificates** of completion
- **Links to additional resources**
- Content developed by **expert practitioners**

Course structure

The training is divided into **eight modules**, each taking 1–2 hours to complete. You can pause and resume at any time. Modules cover topics such as:

- Effective curriculum planning and assessment
- Supporting personal, social, and emotional development
- Understanding developmental differences
- Implementing EYFS learning and development requirements

This is a valuable opportunity to enhance your knowledge and practice at no cost.

Start your training at the [Child Development Training website](#)

Free Asthma Awareness Training – Now Available

Do you work with children or young people in a childcare, clinical, or non-clinical setting?

Enhance your confidence and knowledge with **FREE online NHS training**, designed to help you safely care for children and young people with asthma.



Did you know that around **1 in 11 children** in the UK have asthma—approximately **1.1 million children**? Each year, over **60,000 children** are admitted to hospital due to asthma attacks. The latest data from the child mortality data base 2024, found that sadly 54 children died from asthma.

Many of these deaths are preventable with the right care and awareness. The **Tier 1 Asthma Awareness Training** takes just **45 minutes** to complete and provides essential skills and knowledge to help you make a difference. [Asthma-Awareness-Training.png \(900×450\)](#)



Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership

Free Events:

Opportunities to engage Children and Young People in fun and engaging activities can be booked via the QR Code

LIVE EVENTS PRODUCTION COURSE

FREE at The CREATE Centre this October for 16 - 18 year olds

When & where?
 Mon 20 October 1pm - 4pm
 Tues 21 October 1pm - 4pm
 Weds 22 October 1pm - 4pm
 Thurs 23 October 1pm - 4pm
 Fri 24 October 1pm - 4pm

at The CREATE Centre, Tameside Arts, 8 Market Street, Denton, Manchester M34 2XW

Find out more & book your FREE place now

Spaces are limited, so book now to avoid disappointment!
 Learn more & sign up via this link...
[visit rxtheatre.co.uk](https://visit.rxtheatre.co.uk)
 email engage@royalexchange.co.uk
 text +44 7494 315 213
 scan the QR code

What is it?
 A FREE training course in Live Events Production run by experts from the Royal Exchange Theatre.

Can I join in?
 No experience necessary! This is for anyone who lives in Tameside aged 16 - 18 and isn't in work, school, college or training.

Where could this take me?
 Get stuck into live events production, level up with support from Jigsaw to help you find work or training, and bag free tickets to a show at the Royal Exchange Theatre.

It's giving future goals. So what are you waiting for? Sign up now!

Registered Charity no. 205840. To find out more visit royalexchange.co.uk

Hospitality Course

FREE at Dukinfield Hub this August 2025 for 16 - 18 year olds

When & where?
 Mon 8 September 1pm - 4pm
 Tues 9 September 1pm - 4pm
 Weds 10 September 1pm - 4pm
 Thurs 11 September 1pm - 4pm
 Fri 12 September 1pm - 4pm
 Sat 13 September 1pm - 4pm

at Dukinfield Neighbourhood Hub, 4 Wellington Parade, Dukinfield, SK16 4LE

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 A FREE training course in Hospitality run by experts from the Royal Exchange Theatre.

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 No experience necessary! This is for anyone who lives in Tameside aged 16 - 18 and isn't in work, school, college or training.

Where could this take me?
 Get stuck into practical Hospitality skills level up with support from Jigsaw to help you find work or training, and bag free tickets to a show at the Royal Exchange Theatre.

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Sign up for a fitter future

Free fitness membership for young people in Tameside

Our fully funded Active Youth Membership, in partnership with HAF and TMBC, is available exclusively to eligible young people aged between 13-17 in Tameside, and includes free access to Active Tameside's:

- Gyms
- Group exercise classes
- Swimming pools
- Community and attractions sessions

All Active Youth Members must be referred by one of our partner organisations. The full list of activities included in the membership, as well as terms and conditions and eligibility criteria, can be found by scanning the QR code below or visiting activetameside.com/active-youth

Scan the QR code to refer now

ACTIVE TAMESIDE

Tameside Metropolitan Borough
"to be a better place"

activetameside.com



Everyone's Safer:

Insights from a three-year action research project in schools to prevent and respond to harmful sexual behaviour,' Laura Nott Lucy Faithful foundation and VAWG: Turning the tide. #timetotalk Nikki Holmes Safer Together

If you are an education practitioner working with exploited children and young people, this forum will support you in your work and help you maximise your impact.

The forum enables practitioners to, amongst other things:

- Network and gain informal support
- Share and find solutions to common frustrations and challenges
- Listen and respond to the voices/experiences of children and their families.

NWG Education Practitioners Forum Tickets, Tue 23 Sep 2025 at 16:00 | Eventbrite



This is a virtual training course which is delivered via Microsoft Teams. You will be sent a link to the Teams meeting via Eventbrite.

The course aims to enable participants to be part of the Tameside and Stockport C-Card Condom Distribution Scheme and provide information and support around sexual health to young people and young adults.

It is intended for professionals working in Tameside and Stockport who deliver direct work with young people aged 13 to 24 years and wish to deliver the Tameside and Stockport C-Card Scheme within their organisation. This includes the registration of young people onto the C-Card Scheme.

Objectives of the course are:

- To develop an understanding of the C-Card Scheme process and to be able to deliver C-Card interventions
- To be able to register young people and young adults onto the C-Card scheme which includes using the C-Card database
- To increase awareness of the types and variety of condoms, dams, femidoms, lube and other products available through the scheme
- To acquire relevant information about Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) and the screening process
- Increase participants knowledge of sexual health services and online testing, and be able to support young people to access these

These are the upcoming sessions. [Tue, Sep 23, 2025 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)
[Thu, Oct 23, 2025 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)
[Tue, Nov 25, 2025 at 1:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)



Cyber Choices - National Crime Agency

Offers guidance for Young People, Parents Guardians and Carers, Teachers and Safeguarding Staff.

#LookCloser sessions are aimed at upskilling professionals in a specific topic area and identify points of reflection for individuals' own practice, to take back to their wider teams and networks. The audience is expected to be varied and therefore the session has been written to engage professionals at different levels of knowledge and seniority, across a range of settings and sectors. This month the focus is Child exploitation and the night-time economy.

[#LookCloser: Building positive relationships with children and young people Tickets, Wed, Sep 17, 2025 at 10:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)

You may want to read some of their resources prior to attending a session [#LookCloser resources](#)

Branching out - by Change, Grow, Live



You can now sign up to some 1-hour lunch and learn sessions that are provided by Branching Out.

This is a service provided by CGL (Change, Grow, Live) in Tameside, that provides support for young people under the age of 25, who are affected by substance misuse.

The topics cover:

- Ketamine and Young People 05/09/25 via MS Teams 12:00 to 13:00
- THC Cannabis and Vapes 19/09/25 via MS Teams 12:00 to 13:00
- Nitazines and Synthetic Substances 18/07/25 & 03/10/25 via MS Teams 12:00 to 13:00

Bookings can be made via [Training - Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership](#)



CSA Free training Webinars

The North West Regional Improvement Pilot Programme (RIPP) are delivering multi-agency training to support the implementation of the pathway and resources in the NW free of charge.

- Supporting parents and carers when their child has been sexually abused 9 September 2025
- Responding to harmful sexual behaviour in education settings – 15 September 2025

For more information and to book a place [click here](#)

Virtual College – TSCP Online Training Offer

If you work with children, young people, or families in any capacity, safeguarding is part of your responsibility.

To support you in this vital role, Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership (TSCP) has partnered with Virtual College, a leading online training provider, to offer free access to 40 high-quality safeguarding courses. Safeguarding is a broad and complex area, covering everything from types of abuse and their warning signs to online safety, neglect, and LGBTQ+ awareness.



These courses are designed to support your continuing professional development (CPD) and help organisations across Tameside build a confident, well-informed workforce. Whether you're a frontline practitioner, manager, or volunteer, these courses are here to help us all work together to keep children, young people, and families safe.

Accessing the training is simple and completely free. Just follow the link below to register through Enable, our online learning platform: [👉 Registration - Enable](#)

Please look at the flyer to see the full list of courses

GCP2 TSCP Training

Neglect affects 1 in 10 children in Tameside. GCP2 is a strengths and evidence-based assessment tool that helps professionals measure the quality of care provided by a parent or carer in meeting their child's needs. Following the training you will be able to use the tool to grade aspects of family life on a scale of one to five. This helps identify areas where the level of care children receive is good and where it could be significantly improved. By completing the training, you will be able to provide guidance and/or interventions, or signpost/refer to the most appropriate supporting agency.

If you have not yet registered, please book a place on one of the available dates on our [TSCP website](#) **This tool replaces TNAP.**

GCP2 is a free 1-day training course, where you will explore how the tool works and complete an assessment. On completion you will receive a GCP2 license to use the tool, as well as all the training materials needed.

Please register via [Training - Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership](#) for one of the following dates:

Friday 12 September – Dukinfield Town Hall (Lesser 2)
Monday 22 September - Dukinfield Town Hall (Lesser 2)
Monday 6 October – Dukinfield Town Hall (Lesser 2)
Thursday 16 October – Dukinfield Town Hall (Lesser 2)
Friday 24 October – Dukinfield Town Hall (Lesser 2)
Friday 14 November – Dukinfield Town Hall (Lesser 2)

TSCP Threshold Awareness Training

People who have attended these events found them to be extremely helpful and informative.

Information shared enables practitioners to gain a better understanding of how to use the document to decide which type of support and intervention may be needed to support families, to build on their strengths, while ensuring children are protected from harm.

The day provides the opportunity for professionals from all agencies to take part in practical activities, that will support how best to use the thresholds when making decisions. The PowerPoint with all the important information will be shared with everyone who attends the session.

Training starts at 9:30am and finishes around 3:30pm and will be delivered at Dukinfield Town Hall. The next session will be on Friday 19 September and you can book on [here](#).

Download and print the Tameside Threshold Document [here](#).

TSCP Missing from Home Training – spaces still available

The local authority has a statutory duty to offer all children and young people, who run away or who have been reported as missing a Return Home Interview.

Whilst missing from home or care, children and young people may experience abuse in any form, use substances, or experience poor mental health and these situations could reduce the child's or young person's safety. Quite often when children and young people are missing, their education, family and social relationships, and life chances can often be hindered.

Missing children and young people are particularly vulnerable to trafficking, violent crime, drug use and exploitation, including sexual exploitation and criminal exploitation. If you are a carer or professional and would like to develop your knowledge and understanding in this area, please join us at one of our training events.

Training starts at 9:30 am and finishes around 12:30 pm on the following days;

- Thursday 2 October– Dukinfield Town Hall Lesser Hall 1 (please note this room only has stairs access no lift/disability access is available)
- Thursday 15 January 2025 – via Microsoft Teams

Understanding Exploitation TSCP Training - spaces still available

Safeguarding children from exploitation is everyone's business. Improve your understanding and raise your awareness about how children and young people are groomed and exploited.

Know the signs and indicators that a child or young person is at risk of or is being sexually exploited, such as sextortion and/or criminally exploited, including county lines. Develop your understanding of the impact that child exploitation has on children, young people and their families and what to do if you suspect that a child or young person is at risk and how to safeguard them from harm.

Training starts at 9:30 am and finishes around 12:30 pm on:

- Thursday 18 September - Dukinfield Town Hall
- Thursday 27 November - via Microsoft Teams

Brook Sexual Behaviours Traffic Light Tool is a tool to identify, understand and respond to sexual behaviours in children and young people up to 18 years old.

Curiosity about bodies and sex is a normal part of development. However, some sexual behaviours can be a sign of abuse or CSE (Child Sexual Exploitation). Brook's tool can help you know the difference.

This tool was originally introduced following a serious case review. It takes between 1 and 2 hours to complete and we still have plenty of licences available for all partners to access.

If you are interested, please contact us at tscp@tameside.gov.uk and we will send you details on how to access the course.

An overview of what is covered in the training can be found via the link [CPD: Brook Sexual Behaviours Traffic Light Tool \(RSE\) Course](#)



Laurie Warburg has recently joined Tameside taking up the role of **LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer), & Risk Manager**. He has a wealth of experience in multi-agency public protection arrangements and has offered the following training for practitioners.

Tameside LADO awareness training 16 September 2025

We are pleased to offer a 45-minute awareness session that covers the role of the LADO and the process to be followed when an allegation is made against a person who works with children.

The target audience is Designated Safeguarding Leads in schools, early years settings, sports clubs and children's homes.

To register for this event, please visit [Training - Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership](#).

TSCP Risk assessment and Management Training - 30 September 2025

This awareness session covers Risk Assessment and Management when an allegation is made. The session will take 45-60 minutes and is focused on anticipating what might not go to plan and putting in place actions to reduce uncertainty to a tolerable level which may vary organisation to organisation.

The target audience is Designated Safeguarding Leads in schools, early years settings, sports clubs and children's homes.

To register for this event, please visit [Training - Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership](#).

Other Training

The TSCP training offer for **September to December 2025** includes: Reducing Parent Conflict, Solihull Approach, Early Help Assessments, Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference briefing, Analytical Overview, Power of Language, Unconscious Bias, Safeguarding Infants, Cultural Genogram and Eco Mapping and Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA)

Don't forget to check the training page area of the TSCP website as the training offer is always developing. To book or for the full calendar of training please visit:

<https://tamesidescp.org.uk/training>

Polite Request

When booking a TSCP training event, please can you only book a place for yourself and ask individuals to book their own events, also if you are no longer able to attend the event, please can you cancel your place so it can be offered to someone else. Thank you.

**research
in practice**

Explore Research in Practice resources to support collaborative, trauma-informed and effective practice.

[Supporting children and young people in care | Research in Practice](#)

Anyone with a Tameside email address can create an account free of charge by following the information [here](#).

If you would like to learn how to get the best out of research in practice, why not book onto the next event: [How to use Research in Practice - September 2025 | Research in Practice](#) If you miss this event, they are held monthly



Tameside Safeguarding Children Partnership

research in practice

Recent Blogs:

Children's identity development; New approaches to attachment theory; Young people with care experience.

Research in practice have published a number of [new children & families blogs](#) in the past couple of weeks. Click on the links below to be taken to the relevant webpages:

- [Promoting a positive sense of self with children](#)
- [Attachment theory in social work: Why a new approach is necessary](#)
- [The Cards You're Dealt: Amplifying the voices of young people with care experience](#)

Podcast: Podcast: Child criminal exploitation and the importance of early intervention
Source: NSPCC Learning. Date published: July 2025

In this podcast episode, the NSPCC Helpline's Service Head, Denise Ellis spoke to Tara Mellows who is a Detective Constable in the exploitation team with Leicestershire Police.

The discussion covered:

- What CCE is and the different forms it can take
- Why children can be targets for CCE
- Signs of CCE that professionals working with children should look out for
- Why early intervention is so important and what that may look like
- How the police can respond to CCE.

[Podcast: Child criminal exploitation and the importance of early intervention | NSPCC Learning](#)

You can also sign up for the NSPCC weekly Casper Newsletter and a monthly learning newsletter by registering using the links below.

- [CASPAR | NSPCC Learning](#)
- [NSPCC Learning newsletter | NSPCC Learning](#)

Greater Manchester SAFEGUARDING

The Greater Manchester Tri-x procedures manual has been updated in June 2025.

When the manual is updated, the contents list will show new chapters and the existing chapters that have been updated. As well, a note of the changes will be included in the relevant chapter. [Amendments](#) can be found via the link.

We hope you find this information useful. If you would like your service or any updates to be included in a future TSCP Newsletter, please e-mail TSCP@tameside.gov.uk

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