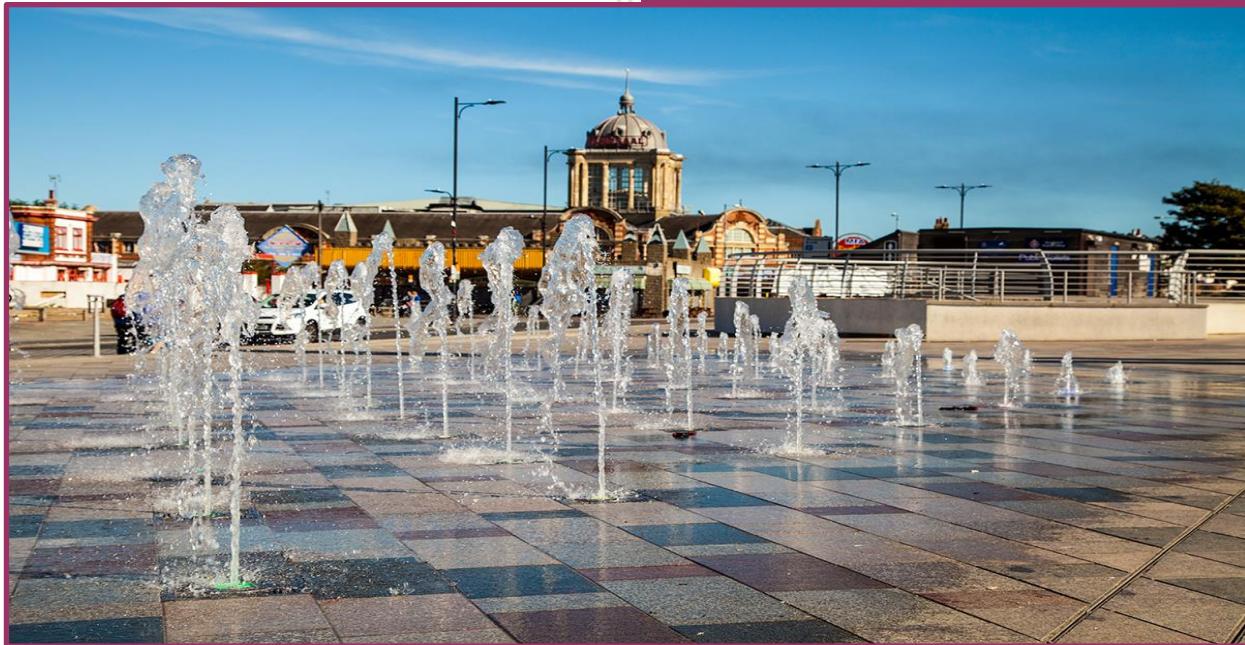


SOUTHEND Safeguarding Partnership



Safeguarding Bulletin 7 (14 May, 2020)



Southend Safeguarding Partnership

The Southend Safeguarding Partnership aims to ensure the safety and protection of children and adults with care and support needs within the borough. It achieves this by working with the Police, Health, Social Care and voluntary agencies to ensure that care and support needs, their support agencies and the wider community can raise awareness about abuse, develop a culture that does not tolerate abuse, and prevent abuse from happening wherever possible. Where abuse does happen, the Partnership and their partner agencies are able to support and safeguard the rights of people who are harmed, stop abuse from continuing, and improve the victims access to any services they may need, such as advocacy, post-abuse support, or legal services.

Safeguarding Advice for Volunteers

Please share with volunteers and with any volunteering organisation or Mutual aid group.

Here is a “Southend Safeguarding Partnership” leaflet that we encourage you to make sure every volunteer has a copy:



SSPA
SG-ADVICE-COVID-1!

* Our thanks to Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board for use of their leaflet

The message is simple - *if you see something, say something!* Encourage volunteers to watch this 3 minute video - [Safeguarding Awareness for Volunteers video produced by Waltham Forest Council*](#) - for basic information on safeguarding adults and how to raise a concern. * Our thanks to Waltham Forest Council for use of their video.

Guidance: Safeguarding and DBS Factsheet ([here](#)), and FAQs ([here](#)) is designed to address specific concerns that people involved in supporting their community may have at this time. If you would like any more information, please contact us: SSP@southend.gov.uk

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1. NWG: Surgery allows sharing learning and practice (12/05/20)

nwg TACKLING CHILD SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

The NWG holds surgeries with network members to assist in problem solving issues they face around the **exploitation of children and adults**.

The surgery also allows an opportunity for areas, teams, individuals and organisations to share learning and practice. The sharing of practice and strategies via the surgeries, enables learning to be shared on the wider NWG platform.

This offer of support has been **extended** for this period of 'lock-down' due to an increased demand for our services and support - whereby the team can assist with 'surgery queries' on a remote basis on a more regular **weekly basis**. These queries may range from operational case enquiries to more strategic advice.

If you would like to book an appointment with members of the Response Unit for the next surgery on **15th May 2020**, please contact network@nwgnetwork.org with a brief description of your query so we can assign the most relevant team member(s) to your appointment.

We will undertake these surgery appointments via Zoom, wherever possible, although other communication methods can be made available to you. *Once we have received your request, we will invite you to a scheduled zoom meeting with relevant members of our team at a specific time agreed between us.* Please see below for dates of upcoming surgeries (bookings now open for all dates): 15th May, 20th May, 28th May, 2nd June, 11th June, 17th June, 23rd June

For further information on the NWG please visit our website www.nwgnetwork.org

Details of surgeries and other events <https://www.nwgnetwork.org/events/>

Details of NWG Response Unit specific roles <https://www.nwgnetwork.org/meet-the-team/>

2. Essex Country Fire & Rescue Service: Free Sensory Smoke Alarms and Free Safe & Well Visit (08/05/20)



FREE SENSORY SMOKE ALARM

Essex County Fire and Rescue Service is helping people with sensory impairments to consider their home fire safety as part of Deaf Awareness Week.

The Service will be sharing messages about how it can provide sensory smoke alarms and advice on preventing fire in your home during a free home fire safety visit. If you or someone you know needs a sensory alarm fitted, please book a free home fire safety visit: www.essex-fire.gov.uk/book

ECFRS has outlined new ways of continuing its home fire safety and safe and well visits during the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic. ECFRS visits around 8500 homes a year to fit and check smoke alarms, give fire and home safety advice and give support to the county's most vulnerable residents.

ECFRS Home Safety bookings and advice line still open as usual. If you have any questions about fire safety, need to refer someone for a Safe and Well Visit, tell ECFRS that someone is at risk of fire, or just need some advice and guidance, please call the ECFRS Home Safety Team. The line is open Monday to Friday, between 9.30am and 4.30pm (or leave a message out of hours) or you can email.

0300 303 0088 (9.30am - 4.30pm, or leave a message out of hours)

home.safety@essex-fire.gov.uk

Online forms: essex-fire.gov.uk/book

Home safety videos: ECFRS YouTube channel [here](#)

3. Coronavirus anxiety: How to cope with life after lockdown



BBC Coronavirus update page [here](#)

As some countries ease coronavirus restrictions, mental health experts are noticing an emerging phenomenon; anxiety about life after lockdown. [here](#)

4. SCIE: Infection Control / ELearning / Updated advice (11/05/20)



This edition of SCIELine shares new infection control e-learning and updated advice for the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **New: Infection control e-learning course:** [here](#)
 - Infection control quick guide: [here](#)
- **Safeguarding adults training webinar:** [here](#)
- **COVID-19 advice and information blogs for social care:** [here](#)
- **View the updated Coronavirus guidance page:** [here](#)
- **Call for best practice examples from the sector:** [here](#)
- **Upcoming webinar: COVID-19 and Safeguarding in faith-based organisations:** [here](#)
- **End-of-life care and dementia: Care in the last days of life:** [here](#)

Latest from the social care sector: News in brief

- Dedicated app for social care workers launched - gov.uk [here](#)
- PM says care home crisis is 'bitter regret' as he prepares to ease lockdown - Care Home Professional [here](#)
- 'Drive through disco' held at Yarmouth care home - BBC News [here](#)
- How to complete a fast-track DBS application safely and efficiently - Home Care Insight [here](#)

Sign up for future editions of SCIELine [here](#).

5. ACL: Free on line courses (08/05/20)



Our new collection of [free hour-long courses](#) are designed to inspire people to explore new subjects and ways of learning.

For updates, please follow ACL Essex on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) or sign up to the [ACL newsletter](#).

6. SETBAD: Weekly Bulletin (01/05/20)



Southend, Essex
& Thurrock Domestic
Abuse Board

COMPASS - 24/7 Domestic Abuse helpline: COMPASS is the single point of access helpline to support victims of

domestic abuse across Southend, Essex and Thurrock. 0330 333 7 444,
<https://www.essexcompass.org.uk/> enquiries@essexcompass.org.uk

- **Stay Safe at Home campaign:** The Stay Safe at Home campaign focuses on five risks to people during this challenging time: domestic abuse, child abuse, accidental house fires, fraud and bogus callers. Stay Safe at Home campaign materials [here](#). To support or follow the campaign search for #ProtectingandServingEssex , #StaySafeAtHome and #StayHomeSaveLives on social media.
- **Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC):** The MARAC is a regular meeting to discuss how to support and safeguard victims at high risk of murder or serious harm. A domestic abuse specialist (IDVA), police, children's social services, health and other relevant agencies all share information about the victim, the family and perpetrator, to enable them to devise an action plan to reduce risk for each victim. If any agency wants to make referrals into the MARAC process, please contact the MARAC to obtain the appropriate form. (Southenddfpsafeguarding@southend.gov.uk)
- **SETDAB Domestic Abuse Basic Awareness E'Learning:** SETDAB Basic Awareness E-Learning LIVE! [here](#)
- **Domestic Abuse Housing Alliance:** DAHA are running some on-line webinars which people can join by clicking [here](#)

7. Cambs. & Peterb. Safeguarding Board: Free on Line Training (13/05/20)

FREE SAFEGUARDING ONLINE TRAINING



As we work with our colleagues across the region, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Safeguarding Adults and Children's Partnership Boards have offered access to this free on line training. [here](#)

Safeguarding children from online abuse [here](#)

Safeguarding Adults from Abuse online [here](#)

Safeguarding for Community Volunteers [here](#)

Recognising Abuse in Adults at Risk [here](#)

8. NSPCC LEASRNING and NSPCC CAPSPAR Updates (04/05/20)



- **Safeguarding during coronavirus: school governors and trustees** [here](#)
- **Safeguarding training for governors:** Online course [here](#)

- Coronavirus: **safeguarding guidance and information for schools** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **NSPCC helpline** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **child mental health** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **advice for separated parents** [here](#)
- **Support for children with special educational needs and disabilities** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **safeguarding in sport** [here](#)
- **NSPCC library reading lists: domestic abuse** [here](#)
- **NSPCC library reading lists: bereavement** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **remote education practice for schools**
 - Supporting children's wellbeing [here](#)
 - Adapting teaching practice for remote education [here](#)
 - Adapting the curriculum for remote education [here](#)
 - Keeping pupils motivated and engaged [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **remote education practice for schools: case studies** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **guidance on temp. changes to education, health and care legislation** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **using clusters and hubs to maintain educational provision** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **school attendance:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **home-schooling support for parents:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **impact on education services:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **new measures announced by Education Secretary:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **vulnerable children and young people:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **online safety:** New 'safer schools app' [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND):** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **safeguarding and remote education:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **child vulnerability:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **supporting students to learn remotely:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **impact of school closures on care experienced children:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **disadvantaged children during school closure:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **online learning and home schooling:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **impact on children in the UK:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **impact on child mental health:** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **impact on children and young people with special educational needs:** [here](#)
- Children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities: [here](#)
- Educational attainment and progress: [here](#)
- Counter-extremism: [here](#)
- Inquiry on white disadvantaged pupils: [here](#)

CASPAR

- Coronavirus: **parental mental health** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **school reopening** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **guidance for children's social care services** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **children's social care regulations** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **conducting a SEND risk assessment** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **school attendance** [here](#)
- Coronavirus: **remote education practice for schools**

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- Coronavirus: remote education practice for schools: case studies [here](#)
- Coronavirus: kinship care [here](#)
- Coronavirus: impact of school closures on care experienced children [here](#)
- Coronavirus and food poverty [here](#)
- Coronavirus: young carers [here](#)
- Coronavirus: Family Drug and Alcohol Courts [here](#)
- Coronavirus: reflections on practice [here](#)
- Coronavirus: social workers and social care practitioners survey [here](#)
- Coronavirus: survey for new families [here](#)
- Child poverty [here](#)
- Motives and behaviour of perpetrators of child sexual exploitation [here](#)
- EU children in care
 - Guidance [here](#)
 - Toolkit [here](#)
 - Children's Society Briefing [here](#)
- Children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities [here](#)
- Educational attainment and progress [here](#)
- Child to parent violence [here](#)

Case reviews update

The NSPCC Library hosts the National collection of case reviews. This update highlights case reviews recently added to the collection and features one of our learning from case reviews briefings.

- **New in the collection:** We have added seven case reviews to the collection this month featuring a number of issues including self-harm, child criminal exploitation, domestic abuse and home education [here](#)
- **Learning from case reviews:** Parents who misuse substances [here](#) (More learning from case reviews briefings [here](#))
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9. SAVS update (29/04/20)



This bulletin is available [here](#).

SAVS would love to share your news, events and anything you want to share. You all do great work supporting the Southend Community, so let's tell everyone about it! Send your content across to rsavage@savs-southend.co.uk.

If you require advice or help for your group/organisation don't forget SAVS is here to support, connect and provide a voice to the Voluntary Sector. Call us on 01702 356000, email us at info@savs-southend.co.uk or visit our website at <https://www.savs-southend.org/>.

10. Safeguarding in Schools Briefing: Andrew Hall (04/05/20)

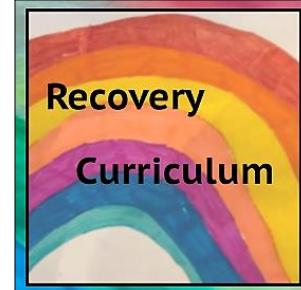
Safeguarding In Schools

Protecting Children. Reducing Risk.

Andrew Hall

- **Reflections on being a DSL during the coronavirus outbreak [here](#)**

- **A Recovery Curriculum: Loss and Life for our children and schools post pandemic (Barry Carpenter and Matthew Carpenter): article [here](#)**



- **Creating Opportunities for Connection Experiencing Being Held in Mind (Trauma Informed Schools/Institute of Arts/Centre for Child Mental Health):** There are many ways to reduce the impact of emotional connection during social isolation. Ideas include:
 - Creative packs – craft, play, calming activities,
 - Feelings diary, wellbeing ideas, familiar activities, (maybe add little post it notes of support in amongst the pack). One school left extra packs in the local supermarkets for parents/carers to collect when shopping.
 - Notes – written on or in lunch bags for children who are receiving them everyday
 - Connecting through class programmes e.g. Dojo or See Saw
 - Family challenges – e.g. one primary head teacher posts Mrs Mead's Daily Challenge on the school's social media such as:
 - Learn how to cook a jacket potato/invent a sandwich or a toasty and design a poster advertising it
 - Music – listen to favourite music/songs together; make up your own song/dance
 - Keeping in touch with someone you care about by phone, email or letter; send a picture
 - Pictures/messages – hung on school gates or frontage – this could include countdown for when school begin again once this is known.



**End Violence
Against Children**

Protecting children during the Covid-19 Outbreak (End violence Against Children):
You can find the EVAC information and resources [here](#)

Learning about online safety at home (ThinkUKnow); includes home activity packs with simple 15 minute activities support children's understanding of online safety at a time. There is also parent support information for primary and secondary age groups. [here](#)





Be SMART: Online Safety Video Lessons for 6 - 9 year olds (Childnet): includes 10 - 15 minute videos offer simple, clear online safety advice using fun activities, games and discussion and optional follow-up activities. [here](#)

- **Advanced Safeguarding for DSLs Online:** Andrew Hall offers an on line DSLs: [here](#)

11. Verification of death in Times of Emergency: Gov.uk (05/05/20)



Coronavirus (COVID-19): verification of death in times of emergency

Clarifying existing practice for verifying deaths outside of hospitals and providing a framework for safe verification of death during the coronavirus emergency. [here](#)

12. CQC: COVID 19 Update (07/05/20)



A weekly update for providers and professionals working in adult social care, sharing the latest guidance on COVID-19 and CQC's approach during this period. ***Reminder: All CQC offices are closed - please do not send post***

- **Concerns about mental health, learning disability and autism services;** [here](#)
- **For all NHS trusts: New infection control guidance and assurance framework**
 - Infection prevention and control: [here](#)
 - The assurance framework: [here](#)
 - other supporting documents: [here](#)
- **CQC guidance for providers**
 - Inappropriate use of sedative medicines to enforce social distancing guidelines: [here](#)
 - Regulating independent providers offering coronavirus testing: [here](#)
 - Changes to the way we work during the COVID-19 outbreak: [here](#)
 - Answers to frequently asked questions: [here](#)
- **Give feedback on care:** [here](#)
- **Managing a fall that may require an ambulance during the COVID-19 pandemic:** [here](#)
- **How to check the identity of a CQC inspector:** [here](#)
- **Joint statement on death certification during the COVID-19 pandemic:** [here](#)

NEW Useful Guidance and Updates

- **Joint statement on CQC's regulatory approach during the coronavirus pandemic:** [here](#)
- **CQC guidance for providers delivering antibody tests or blood tests:** [here](#)
- **Guidance on verification of death:** [here](#)

This bulletin (in full) is available [here](#)

If you would like to receive bulletins click [here](#)

13. Home Office Modern Slavery Unit Newsletter (12/05/2020)



Please share [this link](#) with others who would like to be added to the mailing list.

- **Funding**
 - We thought it would be helpful to provide clarity on the £1.73 million funding for victims of modern slavery which was announced on 2 May [here](#)
 - Guidelines on criteria for these bids [here](#)
- **Key worker testing [here](#)**
- **Child victims**
 - Child victims of modern slavery continue to be supported by Local Authorities and their multi-agency partners in line with their wider responsibility for the safety and welfare of all children in their area. In early adopter sites, the Independent Child Trafficking Guardian (ICTGs) service is also working flexibly to continue to provide effective and responsive support remotely – both to trafficked children and the professionals supporting them. This includes the 24/7 Support Line (0800 043 4303), which can provide immediate response to those seeking advice and guidance. Further updates on the ICTG service can be found on Twitter @Barnardos_NCTS.
- **National Referral Mechanism statistics user feedback survey**
 - 50 responses and are in the process of reviewing the feedback gathered. Further information on the results of the survey will be published in due course.
- **Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre call for research proposals**
 - The call for survivor recovery ([here](#)) research will open from 18th May 2020. The call for the impact of COVID 19 ([here](#)) research call will open on the 1st June 2020.

14. Companies House: COVID-19 updates (14/05/20)



In response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, we're closely following government guidelines. To receive instant email notifications as soon as we update our content, sign up for email alerts. [here](#)

- **Stay safe at work:** The government, in consultation with industry, has produced guidance to help make sure workplaces are as safe as possible. [here](#)
- **Support for businesses and employees:** The government has announced a package of support available to businesses and employees during the coronavirus outbreak. [here](#)
- **Use our online services:** It's taking longer than usual to process paper documents. Where possible, use our online services. [here](#)
- **If your company cannot file accounts on time:** If you think the impact of coronavirus will cause delays in filing your company accounts, you can apply for a 3 month extension. You must apply before your filing deadline. [here](#)
- **Supporting businesses with their filing requirements:** Find out about the changes made to give companies time to update their records and avoid being struck off the register. [here](#)
- **Updates to our services:** We'll be sharing all the latest updates and information about our services on our coronavirus guidance page for Companies House customers, employees and suppliers. [here](#)

15. Modern Slavery Newsletter for Local Authorities May 2020 (12/05/20)

- Please email rachel@humantraffickingfoundation.org should you wish added to the mailing list.
- **Modern Slavery Unit Newsletter with Weekly Covid-19 Policy and Operational Updates**
Sign up [here](#) to the Modern Slavery Unit weekly newsletters on policy and operational changes during Covid-19 to support first responders, including local authorities, in discharging their duties. Email NRMReform@homeoffice.gov.uk with questions.
- **The Human Trafficking Foundation is hosting fortnightly forums to discuss the impact of Covid-19 on survivors of human trafficking** and devise responses with frontline organisations and policy leads. Please subscribe to the Human Trafficking Foundation Advisory Forum Newsletter to receive invitations by emailing rachel@humantraffickingfoundation.org. The next online forum will take place on Thursday 21st May 2pm-4pm via Zoom.
- **Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner urges vigilance as lockdown measures ease:** Traffickers could capitalise as businesses race to recruit low-paid workers See more [here](#)
- **FREE Webinar: Modern Slavery, Homelessness, and Covid-19:** Thursday, 14 May 2020, Online | 2.30pm-3.45pm | Free: Further information and registration on the [here](#)
- **TRAINING RESOURCE on homelessness and modern slavery:** For a recording of the training, email amber.cagney@westmidlandsantislavery.org



Rough Sleepers and Homeless training ses

- **CPD Accredited Online Modern Slavery Training** See [here](#) for more information.
- **Tackling modern slavery: NEW LGA guides:** The Local Government Association (LGA) published two useful guides to support councils in addressing modern slavery locally. Please share widely.
 - Tackling modern slavery: A guide for landlords [here](#),
 - Tackling labour abuse and modern slavery in the hand car wash sector [here](#)
- **Shiva Foundation: Spotting the Signs Factsheet** [here](#).
- **Modern Slavery Unit Guidance for frontline non-First Responders** [here](#)
- **Modern Slavery Helpline Statistics 2020 Q1 (Jan-March):** The Modern Slavery Helpline [statistics](#) for the first quarter of 2020 include reports of 936 Potential Victims of Modern Slavery in the period and a decline in referrals since the UK went into lockdown, indicating the measures may have reduced visibility of trafficking and reduced opportunities for victims to access support.
- **The Statutory Guidance on Identifying and Supporting Victims of Modern Slavery: (March 2020)** for detailed guidance on roles and responsibilities of local authorities in identifying and responding to modern slavery. [here](#)
- **Temporary Policy Notice: Change to move-on policy for survivors of human trafficking in light of Covid-19** [here](#)
- **EU Settlement Scheme Looked-after children and care leavers: local authority and health and social care trust guidance** [here](#).
- **Access to NHS Services for Survivors of Modern Slavery:**
 - COVID-19 has been added to the [National Health Service \(Charges to Overseas Visitors\) Regulations 2015](#) and [Guidance on overseas visitors hospital charging regulations 2015](#) which means that where COVID-19 testing and treatment is needed, it is free of charge, irrespective of immigration status. This information is now accessible in 40

languages (including [English](#)). More information can be found in the [Public Health England Migrant Health Guide](#).

- **Referrals of potential victims of trafficking to the National Referral Mechanism:** [here](#)
- **Modern Slavery Unit Newsletter with Weekly Covid-19 Policy and Operational Updates**

Sign up [here](#) to the Modern Slavery Unit weekly newsletters on policy and operational changes during Covid-19 to support first responders, including local authorities, in discharging their duties. Email NRMReform@homeoffice.gov.uk with questions.

- **Guidance on publishing an annual modern slavery statement (April 2020)** [here](#)
- **Toolkit: Helping suppliers and their workers through COVID-19** [here](#)
- **UK Government Modern Slavery Statement Published April 2020** [here](#).

16. ONS: Coronavirus (COVID-19) roundup



If you would like to subscribe to these roundups, you can do so [here](#).

7 May 2020

Coronavirus (COVID-19)-related deaths by ethnic group, England and Wales: 2 March 2020 to 10 April 2020

This article presents provisional analysis of deaths involving COVID-19 by ethnicity for England and Wales. The analysis includes deaths involving COVID-19 that occurred between 2 March and 10 April 2020, registered by 17 April. Ethnicity is not recorded on the death certificate. To enable us to undertake this analysis, deaths involving COVID-19 have been linked to the 2011 Census, which allowed us to ascertain the self-reported ethnicity of the deceased and other demographic factors.

Main points

- This provisional analysis has shown that the risk of death involving the coronavirus (COVID-19) among some ethnic groups is significantly higher than that of those of White ethnicity.
- When taking into account age in the analysis, Black males are 4.2 times more likely to die from a COVID-19-related death and Black females are 4.3 times more likely than White ethnicity males and females.

See more [here](#)

7 May 2020

A summary of our latest analysis related to the pandemic.

Today we have published new data on COVID-19 deaths in England and Wales by ethnic group (up to 10 April). We have also added entries on how people are adjusting to the lockdown and the impact of COVID-19 on businesses. Some of the main points include:

- People from all minority ethnic groups apart from Chinese and Mixed are at greater risk of a coronavirus (COVID-19)-related death than the White population, after adjusting for age and other characteristics
- Black males and females are nearly twice as likely as similar White people to experience a COVID-19 death
- People appear to be coming to terms with life under lockdown, with the proportion of adults who struggled to access groceries, medication and toiletries having dropped by 10 percentage points between surveys (43% to 33%)

- Accommodation and food, and arts and entertainment businesses have been especially hard hit by the lockdown, with most businesses temporarily closed between 6 and 19 April 2020 and the majority of those remaining open reporting a drop in turnover of at least 50%

See more [here](#)

11 May 2020

People, population and community:

1. Deaths related to COVID-19 by occupation, England and Wales: deaths registered up to and including 20th April 2020

Main points

- A total of 2,494 deaths involving the coronavirus (COVID-19) in the working age population (those aged 20 to 64 years) of England and Wales were registered up to and including 20 April 2020.
- Nearly two-thirds of these deaths were among men (1,612 deaths), with the rate of death involving COVID-19 being statistically higher in males, with 9.9 deaths per 100,000 compared with 5.2 deaths per 100,000 females (882 deaths).

See more [here](#)

2. Which occupations have the highest potential exposure to the coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Main points

- The ONS has obtained an estimate of exposure to disease and physical proximity for different occupations to calculate which have the highest potential exposure to the coronavirus (COVID-19). These are based on survey results from before the pandemic, so will not take into account any recent changes in working practices.
- There is a clear correlation between exposure to disease and physical proximity to other people across all occupations. Healthcare unsurprisingly involves both, though during the pandemic workers here are more likely to be using personal protective equipment.

See more [here](#)

3. Also published today is a blog from Ben Humberstone, Deputy Director of Health Analysis and Life Events examining these new publications. [here](#)

11 May 2020

Understanding the impact of coronavirus on the workforce

For more than a month now, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) has been producing extra information about the various ways in which UK society and the economy are being affected by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Here Ben Humberstone looks at our latest releases, which analyse the occupations that potentially face the biggest impact from COVID-19.

See more [here](#)

11 May 202

A summary of our latest analysis related to the pandemic.

Today we have published new analysis of COVID-19 deaths in England and Wales by occupation (up to 20 April). Separately, we have looked at occupations with potential exposure to COVID-19, using estimates of exposure to disease (generally) and physical proximity to others. Some of the main points include:

- Men and women working in social care – including care workers and home carers – had significantly higher rates of deaths involving COVID-19 compared with those of the same age and sex in the general population
- The highest rates of deaths involving COVID-19 were seen among male low-skilled workers such as security guards (45.7 deaths per 100,000 men), followed by taxi drivers and chauffeurs (36.4 deaths per 100,000)
- Healthcare workers are among those most likely to be exposed to COVID-19 because of physical proximity and exposure to disease in general, though this may be mitigated by the use and availability of personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Three in four workers (75%) in occupations requiring frequent contact with people, and exposure to disease, are women

See more [here](#)

12 May 2020

A summary of our latest analysis related to the pandemic.

Today we have published data on weekly deaths registrations in England and Wales, including deaths involving COVID-19. Some of the main points include:

- There were 33,408 deaths involving COVID-19 registered up to 1 May
- So far there have been more deaths among men than women (19,130 compared with 14,278)
- Most deaths involving COVID-19 have been among those aged 65 and over (29,495 out of 33,408)
- The total number of deaths in the week ending 1 May was 17,953, lower than in the previous three weeks but still 80% higher than what we normally see at this time of year
- Around three-quarters of additional deaths compared with the five-year average involved COVID-19

See more [here](#)

13 May 2020

A summary of our latest analysis related to the pandemic.

- **Today we have published the first quarterly GDP data capturing some of the direct impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown on the economy. Some of the main points include:**
- UK GDP fell by 2.0% in Quarter 1 (January to March) 2020, the largest quarterly fall since the final three months of 2008 (during the financial crisis)
- The decline in output was widespread, with services, production and construction down by 1.9%, 2.1% and 2.6% respectively
- There were especially sharp falls in sectors such as accommodation (-14.6%) and travel agents (-23.6%), both of which **were affected by major restrictions in March**

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