

Cumbria LSCB Neglect Practice Champion

Role Profile

The LSCB wants to ensure that we are able to identify children and young people, whose needs may be neglected by their care givers, at the earliest point so that appropriate services can be provided to address this and prevent the need for statutory intervention.

Knowing when, what and how to refer, and making that referral swiftly, is fundamental to ensure the right level of support and intervention is provided to children in need or at risk of harm. To enable us to achieve these aims we want to develop the role of 'Neglect Practice Champions'.

The neglect practice champions will be practitioners and managers who feel passionate about addressing the issue of neglect in Cumbria and improving practice across the LSCB partnership in relation to this area.

The core elements of the role will be;

- *Receive and disseminate information regarding Neglect*
- *Signpost practitioners to appropriate Cumbria LSCB policy*
- *Attend training and neglect network events to create depth of practice in relation to Neglect*
- *Model good practice with Neglect cases promoting the use of the GCP tool*
- *Promote the use of the Graded Care Profile tool*
- *Report back to their agency on how well Neglect is being addressed in their team / service area*

Some neglect champions may be able to take on extra responsibilities within their agency, such as...

- *Deliver training to single or multiagency groups*
- *Advise practitioners on management of cases*
- *Advise practitioners on the use of the Graded Care Profile*
- *Facilitate case discussions where Neglect is an issue using Signs of Safety mapping*
- *Develop expertise in this area of work*