



Key Messages from the North Wales Safeguarding Childrens Board July 2018

- **Presentation on the findings from a recent Pre –Birth Audit that was undertaken by the NWSCB** – further work will be undertaken by BCUHB following the findings from the Audit. Update will be presented by BCUHB in July 2019
- **Presentation on the Care Crisis Review research undertaken by the Family Rights Group** – the purpose of the review is to examine the reasons for the rise in care proceedings and number of children in care. Key findings include:
 - That the National Family Justice Board, in consultation with stakeholders and families, review the performance management targets for the family justice system and revise the approach to measuring timescales, so that there is a greater focus on understanding the reasons for extensions whilst avoiding unnecessary drift and delay, and with greater attention to longer-term outcomes, such as whether children come back into proceedings
 - That the importance of, and the legal basis for, partnership and co-production with families, promoting as well as safeguarding children’s welfare and a whole family approach, is given a central role in the training and development of social workers in England and Wales
- **Child Practice Reviews** – The group agreed to sign off the completed action plan from NWSCB CPR Denbighshire. Key learning from the review included the need for all agencies to support to staff following a critical incident.
- **Annual Partner Agency Reports** - presentations were given by:
 - Wrexham CBC
 - BCUHB
- **VAWDASV update report** – a report was received from Rhiannon Edwards (Regional VAWDASV coordinator in relation to the work that has been completed in 2017/18.
- **National Protection Procedures** – further update was given to the Board regarding the current work taking place around updating the National Protection Procedures