Safeguarding: Role of the educator





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Aims of the workshop

Indications of safeguarding concerns

Initial Assessment

Next steps and safety

Role of the educator in the process

Local networks/ Links

Role of the PSW

What would you like to discuss?





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Role of the PSW

Referral form detail

Risk assessment

Safeguarding / domestic violence champions

PSW Processes/Policies

Support and Signposting

Limitations and responsibilities



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- ST1 trainee referred to PSW for support with difficult personal circumstances
- Has had significant short-term sickness and not engaging with the e-portfolio.
- Often distracted at work and has anxiety over routine ward duties, slow during on calls and needs help to complete tasks.
- During initial meeting with TPD following escalation from ES revealed that they have been struggling with money and child-care as partner is strict about "child coming first" at all times.
- Currently on dependent visa and concern about going LTFT.

- You meet with an ST4 trainee as there have been some comments from consultants about them being late to shifts and ward rounds.
- The doctor tells you they are struggling with transport to work due to financial difficulties.
- You ask about this and they tell you they are only given enough money by their partner to go on public transport rather than a taxi, which then means they are often late or delayed.

- ST-2 trainee referred to PSW for support with personal stress. They are currently under GMC investigation for criminal charges against them.
- They have declared that they are the alleged perpetrator of domestic violence against their partner, who has reported them to the to police.

- FY1 trainee referred to PSW due to concerns at workplace, not been able to keep up with work and struggling to engage with training.
- Often doubtful of their decisions and has had breakdowns at work causing them to leave work early.
- Spoke to the educational supervisor and mentions that they have suffered with low confidence all their life, feels pressure from their parents are too much for them handle.



Thank you

