

CRITERIA FOR SERIOUS ADULT REFERRAL (SAR)

1. An adult in its area dies as a result of abuse or neglect, whether known or suspected and
2. There is concern that partner agencies could have worked more effectively to protect the person at risk.
3. The SAB must also arrange a safeguarding adult review when an adult in its area has not died, but the SAB knows or suspects that the adult has experienced serious abuse or neglect.

Agencies believe that the criteria for a SAR referral has

Agencies refer case to Dudley's Adult Safeguarding Board

Referral to chair of the Serious Adult Review Board

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Chair of Serious Adult Review Board and panel members consider referral and criteria for Serious Case Review.

Referral rejected

Referral Accepted

Give reasons in writing to the referrer and Chair of the Adult Safeguarding Board

Chair of Safeguarding Adult Partnership Board commissions a Serious Adult Review, scopes the process, provides resources and appoints an independent chair

Alternatives to SAR considered

Chair of the Serious Adult Review panel conducts a serious review and produces a draft overview report.

Multi-Agency Learning Review

Single Agency Review

Draft overview report communicated to agencies for their comment.

Agencies give comments

Serious Adult Review panel agrees final overview

Report given to Chair of Dudley's Safeguarding Adult Board and presented to the contributing agencies to obtain agreement on content, executive summary and agree action plan.

Final presentation to Dudley's Safeguarding Adult Board for approval and agreement of actions with respect to learning points and recommendations.