

### Background:

- Replaced Serious Case Review processes in July 2018
- Serious child safeguarding cases are those in which:
  - ✓ abuse or neglect of a child is known or suspected and
  - ✓ the child has died or been seriously harmed

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### Legislation Children Act 2004 (as amended by the Children and Social Work Act 2017) :

Where a local authority in England knows or suspects that a child has been abused or neglected, the local authority must notify the Child Safeguarding Practice Review Panel if:  
(a) the child dies or is seriously harmed in the local authority's area, or  
(b) while normally resident in the local authority's area, the child dies or is seriously harmed outside England

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### Data 1:

- From July 18-Dec 19 Panel examined 538 rapid reviews
- 244 reported children who had died
- 294 reported serious harm; of these 77 cases were considered near misses.

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### Practice Themes 2:

- Adolescents: Autism, Mental Health & Suicide
- Including Men
- Health plans for children
- Children Educated at Home
- Resolving professional disputes

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### Practice Themes 1:

- Optimistic Thinking – the Practice Context
- Information sharing, risk assessment & decision making
- Children returned home post court proceedings
- Adults with a history of offending
- Domestic Abuse

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### Data 3:

- In 54% Children Social Care were involved with the family
- 13% of children (70) were on a Child Protection Plan
- 15% (80) were looked after at the time
- 10% of children were on a CIN plan

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### Data 2:

- 59.9% of all notifications (473) were boys
- 43.6% were girls
- 2.5% gender unidentified at time of notification
- One third were children under 1yrs
- 20% 11-15 yrs
- 18% 16-17 yrs
- 7.2% were aged 6-10

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