

Wandsworth Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub

Operational Managers Group

Terms of Reference

Wandsworth MASH is the single front door for children and young people in need or additional support and protection.

The MASH receives referrals from agencies and residents for Early help and Children's Social Care.

Co-located within the MASH is a partnership of professionals from a range of agencies including the Police, Health, Education, Children's Services, Early Help, Domestic Abuse Services and Housing.

Other agencies have virtual members of the MASH.

1.0 – Purpose

To provide assurance to the Wandsworth Safeguarding Children Partnership's Monitoring, Quality and Performance Group (MQP) of the safe and timely operation of the MASH.

To ensure the MASH operates effectively in accordance with agreed procedures and is held to account for performance against agreed objectives.

2.0 – Objectives and role

The MASH Operational Group will provide effective scrutiny of and challenge to partners' practice, addressing any barriers to good quality practice and leading ongoing development of the service delivery in response to local need, national policy and legislative change.

Review performance of the MASH against individual agencies' Performance Frameworks.

Carry out multi-agency audits to identify good practice and where practice can improve.

Identifying future development and changes to the MASH.

Respond to National Policy and Legislative Change to ensure the MASH practice and procedures is up to date.

Ensure learning from the MASH Operational Managers' Group is disseminated to all agencies.

Drive operational responses to identified gaps and recognised risks across agencies.

3.0 - Governance

The MASH Operational Managers Group will report to the Wandsworth Safeguarding Children Partnership's Monitoring, Quality and Performance Group (MQP) Group every quarter.

4.0 – Membership

- WBC - Children's Services – Children's Social Care
- WBC - Children's Services – Early Help
- WBC - Education
- Probation
- G.P.
- Police
- Housing
- Health
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