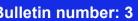


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### Themes and important resources for advice and support.

LeDeR helps us learn about the lives and deaths of people with a Learning Disability or Autism. LeDeR wants to reduce the unfair differences in healthcare that can be prevented.

For more information on LeDeR or to report a death to the programme please visit this website: https://www.leder.nhs.uk/

To view the national LeDeR policy in full please follow this link: <u>https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-</u> content/uploads/2021/03/B0428-LeDeR-policy-2021.pdf

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# Support for Victims of Crime

The panel felt there needed to be better support for people with Learning Disabilities, who are the victims of crime.

- Victim Support (charity): <u>https://bit.ly/3pmZBee</u>
- Easy Read guide about the charity: https://bit.ly/3joJn0u



Advice from Gloucestershire Police: <u>https://bit.ly/3CfFKkl</u>

The panel suggested those supporting victims attend the Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training Pilot: <u>https://bit.ly/3nd1rM5</u>

#### The Best Interest Process

#### It may have been helpful, in one case, for the Best Interest decision making process to have started in December 2020, when capacity became an issue.



This person had a skin infection called cellulitis. They did not understand the need to engage with treatment or what would happen if they didn't. They died as a result of sepsis, linked to the skin infection. The panel thought a Best Interest approach should have been used around the person's treatment for the skin infection.

Best Interest decision making principles and application (SCIE): <u>https://bit.ly/3pn3lqG</u> How to avoid sepsis (easy read by the NHS): <u>https://bit.ly/3ntYwyl</u> Signs of sepsis and what to do (easy read by the NHS): https://bit.ly/3Gj2vH5

# **Bowel Care**

One person died of a perforated bowel with a history of Diverticulitis. Knowing how to manage a bowel condition is very important.

- Information about Diverticulitis (by Patient.info): <u>https://bit.ly/30Nib51</u>
- A high fibre diet is usually suggested to help Diverticulitis. To learn about fibre see this Fact Sheet (by the British Dietetic Association): <u>https://bit.ly/3EclvnB</u>
- Bowel and Bladder Awareness (an Easy Read guide by A Picture of Health South West): <u>https://bit.ly/3Ceeflw</u>
- An Easy Read Guide to Bowel Cancer Screening (by Public Health England): https://bit.ly/3CfmDau



## Safeguarding and Advocacy

In once case there was limited communication between the hospital and a care home because there was a safeguarding investigation. Improved communication was needed around safeguarding, making better use of the information in the persons 'My Health Passport'.

Here is a 'My Health Passport' which can be edited online: https://bit.ly/3jzZk46 Multi-Agency Policy for the protection of adults with Care & Support Needs in Gloucestershire (Easy Read): <u>https://bit.ly/3Bepn6G</u>. The panel also thought that an independent advocate would have benefited this person.

POhWER is the main provider of advocacy services in Gloucestershire:

https://bit.ly/3meboK9.

#### Examples of Good Practice

- Support was given so that healthcare needs could be managed where a person normally lived. In one case the Community Learning Disabilities Team (CLDT) were called 'amazing' by a person's family.
- In three cases, the person had a 'My Health Passport'.
- In all cases, ReSPECT forms had been filed in and DNACPR decisions correctly written down.
- Good end-of-life support was noted by the panel in three cases.
- In one case, the person's carers supported them in hospital, using clear face masks to help communication.



