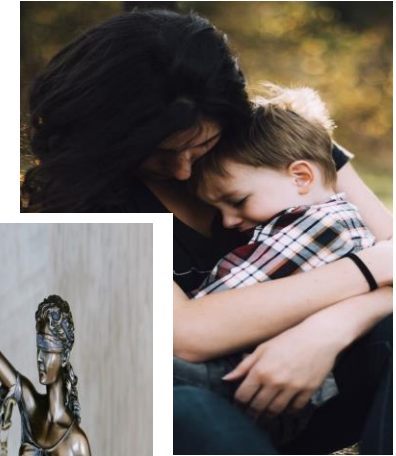




“Practice Points”

Learning Scenarios

Lawful Chastisement



**To be used in Team/Group Sessions/Supervision
As a 15-minute discussion point.**

The BHSCP Learning & Development subcommittee invite you, in team meetings or during group supervision, up to four times a year to discuss a child safeguarding issue.

We encourage responses to be included in your team minutes and forwarded to the safeguarding lead within your organisation.

We hope that this is a way in which frontline staff across the city can explore some areas of learning without the need to attend formal training. It should also highlight areas of further learning.

We are happy to help with access to relevant learning materials

Consider the following question and discuss.....

Anna Chan is aged ten and from a Chinese family. Today she was very upset. She tells you that her dad often hits her mother. Last night her father made her stand on one leg as a punishment for 20 minutes. He also threw the Hoover at her because her school grades have dropped. She says he also hits her 6yr old sibling; he is head of the family, so it is “done that way”



What would or could you do to assist this young person and or his family?

Points for Discussion:

How would you progress this matter?

What further information would you like from the family or child/young person?

Would you advise the family of your concerns?

Do you require any further information from other agencies and how might you obtain this?

What is your role in this situation?

How would you assess this risk?

If you are leading this discussion here is some information for you to investigate to assist with the discussion:

BHSCP – <https://www.bhscp.org.uk/preventing-abuse-and-neglect/types-of-abuse-and-neglect/physical-abuse/>

CPS - <https://www.cps.gov.uk/legal-guidance/offences-against-person-incorporating-charging-standard>

NSPCC – <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-abuse-and-neglect/physical-abuse>

Child-Law Advice - <https://childlawadvice.org.uk/information-pages/the-law-on-smacking-children/>

There may be other information available, and links to these maybe held within the information above.....