

Development of National Form 3 Guidance for DOLS (assessments)

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Background I was until redundancy and early retirement 18 months ago a Professional Development Manager /MCA/DOLS Lead Officer & Safeguarding Manager for Barnsley MBC. I was also chair of the Yorkshire & Humber MCA/ DOLS Regional Network for 2 years during which time I was involved and had a strong influence of the development of SCIE Report 66 (Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards: putting them into practice) with Lucy Bonnerjea (DoH) and Rachel Griffith (SCIE now CQC). This was the first attempt to set Governance Standards for MCA/DOLS, which have been successfully utilised by many LAs. When I left Barnsley they were in a healthy position in their implementation of the culture change of MCA/DOLS. I was to retire gracefully but several LA's sought my Professional Clinical Advice in their development of MCA/DOLS. This led to me undertaking three independent reviews of MCA/DOLS systems and I have helped in a fourth in the Y & H region.

Project results/evaluation

In recent weeks I have been working with Lorraine Currie's project team on behalf of LGA & ADASS in the development of Guidance in the completion of Form 3 DOLS Assessment following my successful design of this in Yorkshire & Humber Region in 2015-16.

Project area classification

Hospital care	x	Emergency care	x
GP care	x	Dementia	x
Social care	x	Learning disability	x
Voluntary sector	x	Other mental health	x
Financial services	x	Palliative care	x
Police	x	Advance planning, LPAs	x
Legal	x	Commissioning	x
Community health care	x	Training	x
Nursing and care home	x	For professionals?	x
Acute care	x	For public and service users?	x
Chronic care	x		x