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The Vetting and Barring Scheme

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The next 15 minutes

- Who are the ISA?
- Timeline for implementation
- Information sharing
- ISA Decision making

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Who are the ISA?

- Board of 10 public appointees
- Chairman – Sir Roger Singleton
- In excess of 200 caseworkers/decision makers

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Timeline

- Since April 2008
- Current activity
- October 2009
- July 2010
- November 2010

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Information Sharing

- Employers, professional and regulatory bodies, and child/adult protection teams in Local Authorities **must** refer information to the ISA **in certain circumstances**.

- In other circumstances, employers **may** refer information regarding an individual's conduct to the ISA.

- **Parents/private employers** should go to a **statutory agency** who can investigate and refer if appropriate (e.g. social services or the police).

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Decision Making Process

- information assessed using ISA Decision Making Process (DMP)
- DMP produced by ISA
- The DMP is a 5 stage process

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Stage 1 and 2

- Is there relevant conduct or risk of harm?
- Did it happen?
- Caution or conviction
  - Finding of a competent body
  - Referral information
  - Cumulative Behaviour

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Structured Judgement Process

- **STRUCTURED AROUND AREAS THAT DRIVE BEHAVIOUR LINKED TO EVIDENCE BASE FOR RISK OF HARM**

- **DOMAIN ONE - PREDISPOSING FACTORS**
  Interests/Fantasies/Drives '*Harm Related Intrinsic Drives and Interests'*

- **DOMAIN TWO - COGNITIVE FACTORS**
  Faulty thinking and beliefs *'Thinking, Attitudes and Beliefs'*

- **DOMAIN THREE - EMOTIONAL FACTORS**
  Relationships/attachment styles *'Relationships'*

- **DOMAIN FOUR - BEHAVIOURAL FACTORS**
  Impulsivity/Irresponsibility/Problem-solving *'Self Management'*

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‘Minded to bar’

- Minded to bar
- Disclose all information
- 8 weeks to respond

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Barring Decision

- Is barring appropriate?
- Which list
- Effect of barring
- Appeal
- Review

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