

**Christine Hodby- Designated Nurse Safeguarding Adults, Lead for MCA/DOLS, Lead for Prevent, LeDeR Programme Lead**



As the Designated Nurse for Safeguarding Adults in Suffolk, Christine's role is to lead and support the local health economy, to work in line with current safeguarding adults legislation and national, regional and local good practice guidance's and frameworks. The Designated Nurse has a statutory duty to work in partnership with the Safeguarding Adults Board and its partners and fully engage in regional and local multi-agency safeguarding adults work streams.

Christine qualified as a nurse for people with learning disabilities in 1993 and has held a variety of roles from working in a large institution with children who had profound learning and physical disabilities, to working with adults with learning disabilities from large institutions and helping them resettle into their own homes within local communities.

Christine has extensive experience of leadership within nursing and was the Lead Nurse for learning disability nursing across the Greater Manchester Learning Disability Services, before she relocated to Suffolk in 2016, in order to take up her current role as Designated Nurse Safeguarding Adults for Suffolk Clinical Commissioning Groups.

Throughout her career, Christine's personal drive has been to ensure the voice of the person is central to all health and social care decision making and care. Her goal is working towards enabling everyone, especially adults at risk, to access and receive the best quality of health care and safe health care, and working with multi-agency strategic leaders to empower health and social care practitioners to achieve this.