This guidance is intended to aid practitioners in decision making around Safeguarding Adults Reviews

# HSAB is responsible for initiating a SAR:

* When an adult in its area dies as a result of abuse or neglect, whether known or suspected, and there is concern that partner agencies could have worked together more effectively to protect the adult.
* Where an adult is alive but has experienced serious neglect or abuse, and there is concern that partner agencies could have worked together more effectively to protect them.
* In other situations where it feels there is a value in doing so. These may be cases that provide useful insights into the way organisations are working together to prevent abuse and neglect of adults, but which may not meet criteria for a Safeguarding Adults Review.

# The purpose of a SAR is to:

* Determine whether the relevant agencies and individuals involved in the case might have done something differently, that could have prevented harm or death.
* Apply lessons learnt to future cases, to prevent similar harm occurring in the future.

To view the full guidance visit: [Safeguarding Adult Reviews - Herefordshire Safeguarding Boards and Partnerships](https://www.herefordshiresafeguardingboards.org.uk/case-reviews/safeguarding-adult-reviews)

No

Has the adult died or experienced serious abuse and / or neglect?

Raise a safeguarding concern with Adult Social Care

[Concerned About an Adult?](https://www.herefordshiresafeguardingboards.org.uk/concerned-about-an-adult)

No

Has the adult completed suicide following suspected abuse from someone they:

* Were related to?
* Were / had been in an intimate relationship with?
* Lived in the same household with?

Speak to your Joint Case Review sub group representative about a potential [Domestic Homicide Review](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/domestic-homicide-review). If you are unsure who your representative is contact the Partnership Team [admin.sbu@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:admin.sbu@herefordshire.gov.uk)

Yes

Yes

Has more than one agency been involved in the case?

Raise a safeguarding concern with Adult Social Care

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No

Yes

Complete the JCR referral form after speaking to your Joint Case Review sub group representative.

[HSAB Part 1 Referral Form](https://www.herefordshiresafeguardingboards.org.uk/documents/hsab-part-1-referral-form-2)

Yes

Are there concerns about how agencies worked together to protect the adult