

Better Care

a resource pack for voluntary organisations and community groups



working with vulnerable adults

Better Care has been designed for voluntary organisations and community groups in South Bedfordshire working with **vulnerable adults** including those:

- with sensory and/or physical disabilities
- with learning disabilities
- who are older
- with alcohol or drugs related issues
- with mental health issues

This pack contains a variety of **resources** to help organisations put in place practices that protect vulnerable adults. These include:

- model Vulnerable Adults Policy
- checklists for recruitment of staff and volunteers
- criminal record and data protection guidelines
- health and safety procedures and record sheet
- model guidelines for reporting concerns
- where to go for further information

Better Care has been produced by Voluntary and Community Action South Bedfordshire in partnership with Dunstable Town Council. To get help and advice in developing your own policies contact:

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Members of Voluntary and Community Action are entitled to receive one free copy of the Better Care resource pack. Copies are also available to non-members in South Bedfordshire at a cost of £10.00 and £15.00 for groups outside of South Bedfordshire. To receive your copy please complete this slip and return to: Development Officer, Voluntary and Community Action South Bedfordshire, Bossard House, West Street, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, LU7 1DA, or email the information below to: development@action-southbeds.org.uk

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Please tick if you are interested in attending a Vulnerable Adults training workshop