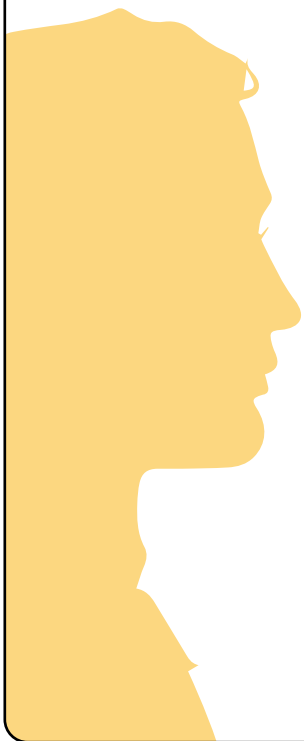




Safeguarding Adults Review: Claire (K19)

This timeline relates to the events surrounding Claire in [Safeguarding Adults Review K19](#) and aims to give professionals access to procedures and learning points to prevent similar cases in the future.



2011: Claire and Derek were both known to have alcohol misuse issues. Aged 43, Claire suffered an [acquired hypoxic brain injury](#) that led to her requiring 24-hour care.

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December 2011: [Best Interests decision](#) made to discharge Claire back home following several meetings and two visits by an [Independent Mental Capacity Advocate](#), despite ongoing concerns about Derek's behaviour and her inconsistency about wanting to go home or wanting a relationship with Derek.

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July/August 2012: Derek refused to let the carers use a hoist to move Claire and disclosed to staff that they were sharing a bed. When challenged on the appropriateness of this, Derek was verbally aggressive and accused the staff of patronising him and not providing Claire with rehab support. [Professional curiosity](#)

5



November 2011: Derek's name added to tenancy to Claire's home. No record of Claire's agreement being sought or her capacity to make any such decision being assessed. [Tenancy agreements](#) / [Mental capacity act code of practice](#)

2



July 2012: Claire and Derek were [married at home](#). Adult Social Care recorded (at a later date) ongoing discussions with the Registrar's Office over the process followed when Claire and Derek were married, including discussions around [mental capacity](#), who should assess someone's capacity and how. [Coercive control](#)

4



July 2013: Derek admitted giving Claire Levodopa he had obtained without a prescription, adding to concerns about his management of Claire's medication. A further safeguarding meeting was held. [NSAB Guidance following a referral](#) (including holding and recording meetings).

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1st March 2018: GP and police called out to make assessment. They found Claire had not been assisted to get out of bed or leave the property for months. She appeared emaciated and withdrawn and it was unclear if she had been fed / was getting enough fluids.

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December 2015: Meeting held to decide level of care, but no formal [care and support assessment](#), no [carers assessment](#)

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March 2018: [Court of Protection](#) made an order in Claire's best interests to live and receive package of care at specialised residential setting (confirmed as permanent in September 2018).

11



July 2016: Email from the care provider describing Derek as controlling and that he "will find ways to sabotage their (carers') attempts to engage with (Claire)" he sometimes swears at the carers who seldom get to complete any care tasks. This was followed up by a [safeguarding referral](#) / [NSAB procedures and guidance](#)

9



July 2015: Claire's medication reviewed without her being seen or involved, despite a history of concerns about Derek's management of her medication, and having no legal authority to act on her behalf. [Think family](#), [mental capacity](#), [data protection](#), [Making Safeguarding Personal](#)

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