



- Use this resource to discuss Maya's experience and Transitional Safeguarding as part of your staff/ team meetings.
- Please [complete this short survey](#) to let us know how this resource has impacted on practice. Your feedback will be anonymised and shared with Bedford Borough, Central Bedfordshire and Luton Safeguarding Children and Adult Partnerships.
- Your feedback will help us to create further resources to support safeguarding practice. [Click here](#) for more information on Transitional Safeguarding.

Maya's Story: Maya faced a challenging childhood but received good safeguarding support. However, when she reaches the age of 18, things change for Maya. *How will the transition between Child and Adult Safeguarding impact Maya's life?*

Watch Maya's Story (Guidance: Swearing and Sexual Abuse References)

This video is a springboard to quality discussion and learning in professional or community settings. Watch the video in its entirety or pause at key moments to consider the story so far, opportunities missed, potential consequences, and any gaps in practice.

Audience: Practitioners working or volunteering with children, young people and/ or vulnerable adults.

Key Themes

- Child to Adult Safeguarding Transition
- Sexual Abuse
- Child Abuse

Discussion Ideas

- How might Maya have experienced your service before/ after she turned 18?
- How did the transition between Child and Adult Safeguarding impact Maya?
- Were there warning signs and/ or missed opportunities for support?
- How can we ensure transitions are made successfully so that young people do not become 'lost in the system'?
- What options are now open to Maya?



About Real Safeguarding Stories: [Real Safeguarding Stories](#) empowers people to improve safeguarding practice in organisations and within communities. True stories shared by victims of abuse are brought powerfully to life by actors so we can connect with their experiences and shape new ways of preventing and responding to abuse.