# The Role of the Appropriate Adult

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#### **The National Appropriate Adult Network**

The National Appropriate Adult Network (NAAN) is the national centre of expertise on appropriate adults (AAs).

AAs are a procedural safeguard which applies to children and mentally vulnerable adults who are detained or interviewed voluntarily by police as suspects in a criminal or terrorism investigation. NAAN is a charity and membership organisation committed to improving the effectiveness of AAs.

#### **Chris Bath**

Chris Bath is Chief Executive of NAAN. Chris leads on strategy, standards, commissioning, research and policy.

He is a member of the Home Office's PACE Strategy Board, a member of the Care not Custody Advisory and Bradley Report groups, a Fellow of the RSA, and a Consultant on the King's Fund Cascading Leadership programme.

Prior to taking on his current role in 2013, Chris was Executive Director of the criminal justice charity Unlock and has held senior leadership positions in the sector for 15 years.



### **Grev Wallington**

Grev Wallington is NAAN's Effective Practice Manager. Grev leads on membership, guidance, training and qualifications for appropriate adult managers and practitioners.

Grev is a qualified trainer and a Fellow of the RSA. He was previously on the NAAN Board for nine years, including serving as Chair of Trustees.

Prior to taking on his current role in 2016, Grev led AA services for 20 years and personally acted in the role around 2,000 times.

