

Safeguarding Children Information Update Conference Roundup: Updated 20th December 2016

Mental Health Support in Schools

17th January 2017 London

£250 - £575 + VAT

This conference aims to help you create a framework which supports the mental wellbeing of students using an integrated services approach.

Benefit from transferable knowledge on forming effective partnerships with CAMHs. Learn about practical methods for implementing schemes and building student resilience. Hear how peers are using a whole-school approach to deliver an effective mental health support structure.

Key topics covered include:

- Evaluating CAMHS Schools Link Pilot Delivering a whole-school approach which builds students' resilience and reduces stigma surrounding mental health
- Exploring strategies of early identification, approaching complex cases and the role of parents and carers
- Recognising the importance of involving parents and carers and how they can support schools' mental health provision
- Learning how to implement a best practice approach which supports the emotional wellbeing of students.

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/mental-health-support-in-schools-conference-3.html>

Improving Adoption Services and Support

19th January 2017 London

£250 - £575 + VAT

Following the government's publication of 'Adoption: a vision for change' and 'Putting Children First', outlining reforms to the adoption system and children's social care, this Conference aims to provide strategic and practical guidance to enhance your adoption processes.

With input from practitioners and best practise, this event gives an opportunity to explore reforms to adoption services, assess the impact of the Adoption Support Fund and take away guidance from those involved in regionalisation adoption pilot.

Hear how partners are working together to achieve permanence for children and ensuring support is offered to adoptive families in order to meet the needs of every child.

Key topics include:

- Delivering new service models through Regional Adoption Agencies (RAAs)
- Developing the process of transitioning from foster care to adoption

- Enhancing preparation for adoptive parents and expanding workforce training on how to help children who have experienced trauma

http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/improving-adoption-services-and-support-conference-dec16.html?code=EMRS&utm_source=Adestra&utm_medium=email&utm_term=&utm_content=click%20here&utm_campaign=Improving%20Adoption%20and%20Support%20-%20Email%20#conferencePrice

Strategy and Skills for Improving Children's Mental Health

20th January 2107 London

£269 - £599 + VAT

The mental health of children and young people is a high-profile national concern, as understanding grows of how wellbeing is fundamental to all children achieving their true potential.

With an emphasis on prevention and early intervention, expert-led sessions throughout the day will arm you with vital insights, practical exercises and examples of effective provision to take back and implement in your day-to-day work.

Areas covered will include:

- Implementing the Future in Mind reforms
- Resilience and coping skills for children and young people in and out of school
- Self-harming behaviour and links with other mental health problems
- Whole-school approaches to mental health that lead to improved attendance, behaviour and attainment
- Local area-wide provision transformed through evidence-based practice
- Emotional intelligence and emotion regulation in the school environment
- Body image and eating disorder
- Anxiety around transition from primary to secondary school, and at exam times
- Self-awareness in young people to overcome barriers to learning
- Supporting emotional and mental health of children with SEND, in line with the revised SEND code of practice
- Schools collaborating with CAMHS to promote self-help
- Practical exercises to get young people talking about their emotional wellbeing
- Tips on using pupil feedback to improve mental health provision and support staff wellbeing
- Effective youth counselling through face-to-face, online, one-to-one and group support.

<http://www.mental-health-conference.com/home>

SEND: new challenges, new opportunities

23rd January 2017 London £250

CDC's conferences offer an opportunity to understand, debate and influence the direction of policy and practice affecting disabled children and those with SEN. This year we will be focusing on:

- Children with the most complex needs – continuing care; the Transforming Care agenda; and children in 52 week residential placements.
- Implementation of SEND reforms - the latest Children and Families Act case law; the view from the SEND Tribunal; and findings from the first six months of the new inspection framework.

- Ongoing reform in education – the re-introduction of selective education; giving schools responsibility for pupils they exclude; and re-distribution of education high needs funding.

<https://www.ncb.org.uk/what-we-do/how-we-work/events-training/send-new-challenges-new-opportunities-london-conference>

Protecting Children and Young People in the Digital Environment

31st January 2017 London

£250 - £575 + VAT

This conference will explore solutions to key challenges faced by those working to protect children from online threats.

This event explores tried and tested techniques to ensure staff, children and parents are aware of the risks faced and outline critical ideas that will support the protection of children and young people in the digital environment.

Key topics covered include:

- Developing awareness amongst both young people and parents regarding potential threats posed online
- Tackling issues including radicalisation and gang violence
- Ensuring staff are aware of how different technologies pose individual risks to children and young people

Attend this interactive conference in order to train your staff in identifying risk factors for online grooming, gain best practice in investigating digital offences and understand measures to prevent children and young people from creating their own indecent content.

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/protecting-children-and-young-people-in-the-digital-environment-conference-1.html>

Developing Research for the Children's Residential Care Sector

31st January 2017 Witney, Oxon £45

This course for residential practitioners, providers, researchers and academics, will help participants to:

- understand and articulate the importance of research use within the children's residential sector
- explore how others have supported practitioner-led research within residential settings
- assess and analyse the barriers and enablers to evidence-informed practice, and develop ideas to apply in their own workplace
- consider the importance of the voice of young people as a source of evidence, and explore the leadership role of the residential sector in this
- develop plans, individually and collectively, to further the research agenda within the children's residential sector

<http://us12.campaign-archive2.com/?u=7988bed4b312b0805f9592543&id=7069d4dc67&e=2db3165c9e>

Practical strategies for safeguarding in schools

22nd February 2017 London

£269 - £459 + VAT

This conference provides an opportunity to engage with the country's leading safeguarding experts, providing you with practical strategies to ensure no child slips through your safeguarding net.

What can I expect?

- Gain proven strategies and hear best-practice to support and protect children suffering from mental health issues
- Understand your obligations to protect children from peer on peer abuse and safeguard against 'mate crime' across your school
- Sexting, cyber-bullying and social media – learn how to protect children online, educate parents and empower children to understand and protect themselves
- How to spot early warning signs of CSE, offer support and develop clear lines of communication with external agencies
- Gain strategies to put policy into practice, stay up to date with the latest guidance and provide fresh training that resonates with your colleagues

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/PracticalSafeguarding>

Child protection reform - multi-agency arrangements and the future of the social work profession

23rd February 2017 London £210 + VAT

This seminar will bring together key stakeholders from across the education and health sectors, as well as policymakers in local government and elsewhere, to consider latest thinking on priorities for the safeguarding of children. It comes with the NAO report into the delivery of child protection services finding that efforts since 2010 to improve child protection services have not yet translated into improved services.

Delegates will also discuss the implementation of the key recommendations of the Wood Report in March 2016, which reviewed the role and functions of LSCBs and was recently accepted by Government, such as requiring each area to publish a plan detailing how multi-agency arrangements will be improved as well as the abolition of Serious Case Reviews and introduction of a national learning framework for inquiries.

They will also consider next steps for preventing and investigating instances of CSA - and supporting the victims - in light of a series of reports on these issues due to be released by the Children's Commissioner in 2016 and as the government considers responses to its consultation into the possible introduction of mandatory reporting of child abuse and neglect.

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1310>

Staying Safe: The "Dark" Web

9th March 2017 York £150 - £175

Topics to be covered by speakers include:

- 'The Dark Net'
- Grooming from the perpetrators perspective
- Grooming through gaming.

- School's Systems and the Voice of the Child

<http://www.cape.org.uk/cape-conferences.html>

Tackling FGM, Honour Based Violence and Forced Marriage

14th March 2017 London £250 - £575 + VAT

This Conference is designed to provide an update on the statutory duty to report new known cases of FGM and help you to improve multi-agency working to identify and protect victims of FGM, HBV and FM.

Bringing together experts from across the police, local government, health, education, housing and the voluntary sectors, this conference offers the ideal forum to develop stronger cross-sector relationships to assist in preventing and responding to cases of FGM, HBV and FM.

This event focuses on key topics including:

- Understanding the mandatory reporting and recording duties to ensure you are compliant
- Engaging with communities to encourage the reporting of at-risk individuals and better identify possible victims
- Implementing effective training and development for all frontline staff in identifying and responding to FGM, HBV and FM

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/tackling-female-genital-mutilation-honour-based-violence-and-forced-marriage-conference-mar-17.html>

BASPCAN 10th International Congress

11th April 2018 Coventry

This event will bring together practitioners, survivors of abuse, researchers, trainers and policy makers to learn from each other, reflect and consider how we can improve services to support families and protect children and young people.

The theme of Thinking outside the box reflects our desire to learn and develop, encouraging participants to be creative and reflexive, and to interact with each other. Early bird bookings will open July 2017

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/event/baspcan-2018-annual-conference/>

Safeguarding Teenagers

18th May 2017 Birmingham

£339 - £479 + VAT

The statistics surrounding the risks facing young people today speak for themselves:

- A quarter of teenagers suffered online abuse last year (Stop Online Abuse, February 2016)
- More than third of teenage girls in England suffer depression and anxiety (Open Door, September 2016)
- Almost a third of 16-18-year-old girls say they have experienced unwanted sexual touching at school (Women and Equalities Committee, September 2016)
- 73% of 15-year-old girls and 52% of 15 year old boys feeling pressured by schoolwork (WHO March 2016)

This event is an opportunity to network with leading practitioners and experts and take away proven strategies and resources.

Workshops will include:

- supporting the mental health needs of older students
- know the signs of teenagers vulnerable to radicalization
- understand the latest risks of online and social media safety
- protecting students against the risks of sexual violence

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/SafeTeens17>