

Safeguarding Children Information Update Conference Roundup: Updated 2nd February 2017

Cyber-bullying: Protecting Your Students

21st February 2017 London

£235 - £295 + VAT

Learn what your school can and should be doing to develop effective strategies to prevent and respond to cyber-bullying.

Key Issues to be addressed include:

- Understanding cyber-bullying and your responsibility as a school
- Taking a whole school community approach to cyber-bullying
- Responding to and resolving online safety issues: what Ofsted expect to see
- Coordinating responsibility
- Reviewing and updating your policies
- School's accountability: demonstrating the impact of anti-bullying policies
- Protecting staff against online abuse
- Getting offensive content taken down
- Supporting the victim and preventing recurrence
- Making the reporting easier
- Promoting positive use of technology

http://www.westminster-briefing.com/Cyber_bullying

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>

The Future of Troubled Families

28th February 2017 London

£235 - £295 + VAT

The effectiveness of the Government's Troubled Families programme has been criticised, but the scheme continues to operate and its second phase will run until 2020.

Issues to be addressed:

- Learning from the outcomes of the first Troubled Families programme
- Turning around families' lives in the second phase of the programme
- Strengthening multi-agency working
- Improving the collecting, sharing and analysing of data
- Tackling children's anti-social and criminal behaviour
- Multi-agency working to transform the health, social and financial circumstances of adults
- Case studies of innovative practice in improving families' lives
- Retaining structures beyond the Troubled Families programme

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/TroubledFamilies2017>

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>

Alternative Provision in Education

15th March 2017 London

£250 - £575 + VAT

This conference enables you to effectively provide and commission high quality alternative provision to ensure students from all backgrounds receive an education that supports their individual needs and helps them to reach their full potential.

Following the Government's Educational Excellence Everywhere White Paper, outlining reforms to alternative provision, and Ofsted's 3 year report highlighting that schools must do more to ensure the provision of high quality education and the safety of pupils in alternative provision, now is the time to benchmark your provision.

Attend to explore successful pathways to creating a curriculum that allows access to qualifications, define how to track the progress of alternative provision students and review how organisations can most effectively support the health needs of learners.

Key topics include:

- Reviewing the different routes to commissioning including considering in-house alternatives
- Implementing quality assurance processes that provide guidance for safeguarding and ensure student progress
- Partnership working between schools and local authorities

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/alternative-provision-in-education-conference-13.html>

Safeguarding Children in a Digital World

29th March 2017 London

£249 - £499 + VAT

This conference will enable you to:

- Understand children and young people's internet and social media use, and how it impacts on their safety
- Get up to speed on current policy on online safety, and the duties and responsibilities for education and safeguarding professionals
- Build digital literacy and resilience in children and young people
- Support parents and carers to keep their children safer online
- Develop young people's skills to think critically about extremist content online to prevent radicalisation and extremism
- Understand the current climate of cyberbullying and hear how best to educate children, prevent cyberbullying incidents, and support young victims
- Respond appropriately to and manage sexting incidents
- Understand online grooming, identify children at risk and report concerns
- Empower children and young people to champion digital citizenship and educate their peers
- Understand how certain websites and social media promote self-harming behaviours such as cutting, anorexia and substance misuse
- Deliver age-appropriate e-safety that enables children and young people to stay safe online
- Ensure filtering and monitoring systems are in place that protect children from harmful material without leading to unreasonable restrictions on what children can learn

<http://www.safeguardingdigital.co.uk/home>

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/>

Contemporary Issues in Child Protection- Masterclass

28th April 2017 London

£65 - £130

This event is the first in a series of Masterclasses BASPCAN plans to hold in 2017.

Contemporary Issues in Child Protection – essential legal, policy and case law updates for child protection professionals.

A multi-disciplinary masterclass on recent legal and policy changes and child public law judicial decisions in England, which have significant implications for child protection practice.

This will include key issues such as FGM, Forced marriage, CSE, radicalization and the 'Prevent' duty, thresholds for intervention and child participation in family law proceedings.

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/event/contemporary-issues-child-protection/>

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>

How safe are our children? conference 2017

21st June 2017 – 22nd June 2017

London £149 - £249

This conference provides child protection professionals with the opportunity to debate, question and share insights about the latest strategies, policies and programmes to prevent child abuse and protect children.

Over the course of the 2 days you'll hear from sector leaders as they share their innovations and solutions to help better protect children. You'll also hear from leading politicians as well as young people themselves.

The conference brings you the opportunity to:

- Be inspired by innovative speakers
You'll hear about key child protection trends and find out about effective practices from both national and international sector leaders.
- Explore a range of topics
Over 2 days, you'll get the chance to explore different topics through hands-on workshops, lively debates, keynote presentations and panel discussions.
- Take advantage of our affordable packages
You can put your training budget to good use with our flexible ticket offer. This year delegates can take advantage of 1 or 2 day tickets, along with fantastic early bird rates.

- Build your network

With 400+ delegates attending, you can network with like-minded professionals as well as influencers.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-you-can-do/events/how-safe-conference-2017/>