

Safeguarding Children Information Update Conference Roundup: Updated 3rd February 2016

The Troubled Families Conference

10th February 2016 London £225 + VAT

This conference will put a spotlight on the main issues involved in delivering the Government's Troubled Families agenda, including crime, health and welfare.

It will offer a forum where key stakeholders can learn about good practice and take their response to the next level. The conference will also seek to provide practitioners solutions to some of the biggest obstacles in delivering the Troubled Families programme.

<http://www.troubledfamiliesconference.com>

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/home/event-detail/newsarticle/the-troubled-families-conference-2016/>

Next steps for children in care - regionalising adoption, improving outcomes and new standards for children's homes

24th February 2016 London £210 + VAT

This seminar will consider the future for policy relating to children in care. It is timed as Government's Education and Adoption Bill continues its passage through Parliament, which aims to introduce regional adoption agencies designed to speed up the adoption process. The agenda also includes discussion on the impact and future of the Adoption Support Fund, rolled out nationally in May, and which provides specialist therapeutic and support sessions for adoptive families.

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1126>

Protecting Children Update 2016

25th February 2016 London

£269 - £459 + VAT

Radicalisation, exploitation, sexting, FGM, self-harm – safeguarding can be a daily challenge for schools and colleges. This event will provide you with the comprehensive expert support you need to fully safeguard your students.

Your legal safeguarding duties are constantly updated and increased – but the practical support and guidance you need to help you meet these obligations, and protect your pupils, can often be lacking. To safeguard your students, and your school, this conference brings together a line-up of leading safeguarding experts to provide you with all you need to ensure that no child slips through your safeguarding net.

Learning outcomes - what can I expect?

On the day take the opportunity to network with hundreds of school leaders and attend in-depth keynotes and expert led seminars on your most pressing issues, including:

- Radicalisation and extremism
- Staff training
- CSE
- Peer on peer violence

- Mental health
- Neglect
- Honour-based violence
- Sexting, social media, cyberbullying
- Domestic abuse

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/PCU16>

Children Missing Education

26th February 2016 London

£250 - £575 + VAT

This conference prepares LAs to fulfil their statutory duties to prevent children going missing from education, protect those that do and provide services to support them back into education.

The conference is timed to review progress made one year on from the updated 'Children Missing Education' guidance issued by the DfE. With the new standards calling for greater focus on high risk groups of children, and with increasing scrutiny from Ofsted, it is vital you are doing all you can to ensure children are receiving full time education.

Attend to understand how LAs can work in multi-agency partnerships to identify, safeguard and provide holistic support to CME, with a focus on the particularly vulnerable including those at risk of radicalisation, CSE, and running away from home.

Key topics covered include:

- Identifying pupils at risk of missing education and providing early prevention strategies
- Demonstrating your CME practice to Ofsted
- Utilising data to track and monitor attendance
- Re-introducing students into education

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/children-missing-education-conference-4.html>

More than words; the importance of communicating across languages in child protection

1st March 2016 London £135 + VAT

The conference is jointly hosted by VCF and Mothertongue, following publication of their White Paper, 'My Languages Matter; the multilingual outlook for children in care'.

Both organisations believe that, where language is a barrier, there are approaches and tools which can be adopted to improve significantly the level of communication between service providers and families. How, in practical terms, can frontline professionals and managers address these problems to reduce child protection risks and produce better outcomes for families?

<http://www.ccclimited.org.uk/event/morethanwords/>

Tackling Extremism in the UK

3rd March 2016 London £225 + VAT

The Government's new Counter-Extremism Strategy sets out the key duties that practitioners must take to counter extremist ideology and protect our communities. At the heart of this strategy are 4 key pillars:

- Vigorously counter extremist ideology
- Support mainstream voices in our faith communities and civil society
- Disrupt extremists and pursue the radicalisers
- Build more cohesive communities

Hear what this new strategic direction means for your responsibilities in the challenge to counter extremism. This will be an opportunity to review your statutory obligations outlined in the new PREVENT duty, take steps to prevent radicalisation and share excellent examples of best practice and partnership working for you to take back and implement within your setting.

Key Issues to be Addressed:

- Comprehensive overview of the Government's new Counter-Extremism Strategy
- What does this mean for your obligations and duties?
- The role of LAs in creating more cohesive communities
- Policing our communities: extremism in schools, colleges and Higher Education
- Inter-faith communication: working with religious communities to tackle extremism
- Restricting extremist material online
- Delivering the statutory PREVENT duty
- Developing multi-agency arrangements to monitor the impact of PREVENT work
- Engaging with the public and managing perceptions
- Exploring current good practice in tackling extremism nationally and locally
- Establishing effective partnerships between police, communities and other organisations to combat extremism
- Strategies to challenge all forms of extremist ideology

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/home/event-detail/newsarticle/tackling-extremism-in-the-uk/>

CAPE Conference 2016

"Staying Safe – Vulnerabilities and Trauma"

10th March 2016 Whittle le Woods, Lancashire £125 - £150

Presentations at this conference include:

- "Embracing Cultural and Diversity Challenges within Education"
- "Grooming and Exploitation of Young People, a personal perspective"
- "Grooming and Exploitation of Young People, a professional perspective"
- "Learning for Education Settings from Serious Case Reviews"
- "Mental Health Issues and Children's Well Being"

<http://www.cape.org.uk/>

<http://www.cape.org.uk/cape-conference-2016.html>

Supporting Young Carers: The Next Steps For Your Local Service

16th March 2016 London £225 + VAT

Since April this year councils have had new responsibilities to support young carers but much more can be done to implement these changes. LAs need to integrate their

services and improve identification of and engagement with young carers if they are to truly maximise their wellbeing.

Attend this Briefing event to explore how best to fulfil your duties and what steps you can take to support young carers locally. Engaging with our expert panel and your peers, you will have the opportunity to hear from best practice examples of partnership working and provision to take back to your setting and implement with your colleagues.

Key Issues to be Addressed Include:

- Understanding your duties under the Children & Families Act 2014 & Care Act
- Examining what an exemplary assessment for young carers looks like
- Effectively commissioning and reviewing services for young carers
- Partnership working between children's, adult's, education & health services
- Tools & guidance from those providing innovative, personalised support
- Involving young carers in designing the support they and their families receive
- Preparing young carers for adulthood: What steps can your service take?

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/home/event-detail/newsarticle/supporting-young-carers-the-next-steps-for-your-local-service/>

Tackling FGM, Honour Based Violence and Forced Marriage

17th March 2016 London £250 - £575 + VAT

This conference comes after the new statutory duty placed on health and education professionals to report known cases of FGM to the police came into effect in October. The event focuses on developing multi-agency responses to prevent, report and prosecute cases of FGM, HBV and FM.

Hear from the Home Office and experts from the police, local government, health, education, housing and the voluntary sector on developing a cross-sector partnership approach to tackling these criminal practices and providing suitable support for victims.

Our conference focuses on key topics including:

- Training all frontline staff in identifying and responding to potential risks of FGM, HBV and FM
- Understanding the new duty to report cases of FGM for health and education professionals and the procedures for safeguarding individuals
- Successfully engaging with local communities and conveying the legal, health and social consequences involved with 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-1.html>

CSA and Exploitation – Prevention and Treatment

18th March 2016 London £249 - £549 + VAT

With CSA now classified as a “national threat”, the onus is on all professionals working with children and young people to be alert to young victims, perpetrators and those at risk of abuse and exploitation.

This conference will provide first-hand insight on good practice in tackling the issue in all its forms, including intra-familial abuse and child sexual exploitation.

You will hear from expert speakers and practitioners from around the country including leading figures from the Office of the Children's Commissioner, NSPCC, Barnardo's and CEOP.

The conference will enable you to:

- Understand the scale and nature of CSA
- Hear about adopting a public health approach to the issue
- Understand the online threats and develop an effective response
- Hear about the impact of therapeutic interventions in helping abused young people recover from trauma
- Hear about local multi-agency strategies to tackle the problem
- Learn about emerging practice in working with children with harmful sexual behaviour
- Hear how to ensure the voices and experiences of young victims and those at risk are brought to the fore
- Identify and respond to sexually exploited boys and young men
- Reduce the impact of vicarious trauma on staff working with abuse

<http://www.csaconference.com/home>

Working Together to Safeguard Children at Risk

26th April 2016 Manchester £295 - £595 + VAT

Many Multi Agency Safeguarding Hubs have been strengthened by greater collaborations between organisations in order to identify more at risk children, improve information sharing and pursue more coordinated action. There is also a renewed sense of urgency for LAs and social workers to act earlier to put in place more robust child protection plans to raise the overall standards of child protection plans.

This forum will offer delegates the opportunity to hear about recent policy updates regarding children's welfare and safeguarding practices. Delegates will hear best practice from the most highly rated local authorities, and from innovative multi-sector partnerships working towards early intervention and effective management of the safeguarding of children.

<http://www.insidegovernment.co.uk/event-details/children-safeguarding/664/#overview>

Policy priorities for child protection - preventing abuse, improving children's services and reforming social work

16th May 2016 London £210 + VAT

Following publication of the Jay Report, which examined historic cases of CSE in Rotherham, delegates will consider recommendations of the report, such as the need for greater multi-agency working, as well as steps since taken by government to strengthen child safeguarding procedures.

They will also discuss measures to improve the accountability of children's services, such as the initial impact of new integrated inspections - bringing together the

inspectors of the police, probation and prisons services, CQC and Ofsted - and due to come into effect in Autumn 2015.

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/forums/event.php?eid=1055>

Guarding the Gateway to Working with Children and Young People

21st May 2016 Manchester £20

This special half-day workshop event is aimed at those responsible for the recruitment, management or supervision of children, young people or vulnerable adults workers in faith settings and faith-based organisations.

During the workshop, we will explore a range of issues including the key elements of safer recruitment, DBS process, managing 'blemished' disclosures and managing allegations against workers.

The aim of the event is to equip delegates with the latest information regarding safer recruitment practices that will ensure a greater understanding of this ever-changing landscape and greater opportunities to be effective in our safeguarding vulnerable people.

<http://www.ccpas.co.uk/events/safer-recruitment-conference-manchester>