

## **Safeguarding Children Information Update Conference Roundup: Updated 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017**

### **Safeguarding Teenagers**

18<sup>th</sup> 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>

### **The Future of Youth Offending and the Impact of the Taylor Review**

24<sup>th</sup> May 2017      London   £295 + VAT

The youth justice system has undergone significant change in recent years. Fewer young people are entering the system, but outcomes need to improve for those that still do. In late 2016 the Charlie Taylor Review made recommendations to reform youth justice to meet the current challenges. Responding to this review, the Government has outlined measures that will fundamentally alter the system in England and Wales.

We will explore the Government's plans for youth offending and examine how reform will affect your organisation.

Key Issues to be Addressed:

- Where are we now? Assessing the current landscape of the youth justice system
- The impact of Charlie Taylor's recommendations and the Government's response
- Moving towards a more devolved system: tailoring services to local needs
- Joined-up working: integrating youth justice services with other agencies
- The role of youth offending teams in the new youth justice system
- Best practice case studies of effective working in youth offending
- The key tools to tackle youth offending: supporting young people into education,

apprenticeships, training and employment  
<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/YouthOffending>

**Children in care - raising standards, improving support for care leavers and the future for adoption**

13th June 2017 London £210 + VAT

This seminar will present an opportunity to consider steps to improve children's residential care, following the government response to Sir Martin Narey's Review of Children's Residential Care.

Attendees will also discuss the implementation of Ofsted's social care common inspection framework from April 2017 and what more can be done to improve the mental health and wellbeing of looked after children.

Those in attendance will also assess the implications of the regionalisation of England's adoption system, outlined in Adoption: A Vision for Change, and recently introduced measures to promote adoption by recognising the rights of prospective adopters in court proceedings.

We also expect discussion on the findings of the Education Select Committee's inquiry into the future of fostering.

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/conference/children-in-care-17>

**Breaking the Cycle of Violence to Children through enabling Positive Parenting**

15th June 2017 Birmingham

£50 - £195

A joint conference by ISPCAN and BASPCAN based on Promoting Positive Parenting to Prevent Violence against Children (2016)

Aims of the conference:

- To explore the relevance to practice of findings from an international study by ISPCAN on promoting positive parenting in preventing child maltreatment.
- To identify practical ways of improving parenting practice to reduce the risks of child maltreatment.

<https://www.baspcan.org.uk/event/breaking-cycle-violence-children-enabling-positive-parenting/>

**How safe are our children? conference 2017**

21<sup>st</sup> June 2017 – 22<sup>nd</sup> 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/>

### **Mental Health Support in Schools**

29<sup>th</sup> June 2017      Manchester      £250 - £575 + VAT

This conference is designed to provide practical advice on building school services around the needs of children and young people.

Following the government's pledge to improve support for troubled children with £1.4 billion of extra funding, now is a crucial time to benefit from transferable knowledge on developing emotional resilience in young people and staff, removing the stigma around receiving help and engaging parents.

Key topics include:

- Developing effective joint working between children and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) and schools
- Supporting parents and carers and signposting them to relevant agencies
- Combatting anxiety and stress within the curriculum
- Utilising personal, social and health education (PSHE) to teach about e-safety and positive body image

[http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/mental-health-in-schools-conference-june-17.html?code=EMRS&utm\\_source=Adestra&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=&utm\\_content=Book%20Online%20Now%2A&utm\\_campaign=Mental%20Health%20in%20Schools](http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/detail/article/mental-health-in-schools-conference-june-17.html?code=EMRS&utm_source=Adestra&utm_medium=email&utm_term=&utm_content=Book%20Online%20Now%2A&utm_campaign=Mental%20Health%20in%20Schools)

### **Transforming Child Mental Health: Co-Production, Innovation and Impact**

13th July 2017      London

£249 - £549 + VAT

This conference, for those involved in commissioning and delivering children's mental health support, will enable you to:

- Hear a national policy overview and update on implementation of local transformation plans, from NHS England's lead for children and young people's mental health
- Learn key skills for developing good mental health and high self-esteem in children and young people
- Promote meaningful use of evidence to provide more effective child-centred support

- Understand how participation across the mental health system, from promotion and prevention to commissioning, can improve support
- Hear how digital services can increase access, remove barriers and reduce stigma for young people
- Learn how to support children and young people vulnerable to self-harming behaviour
- Hear how parenting interventions are reducing stresses and building capacity of parents of young children
- Promote resilience strategies with young people
- Hear how community-based, youth-led mental health support has transformed young people's emotional wellbeing

<http://www.mental-health-conference.com/174536>

### **Child Protection in Education 2017**

14<sup>th</sup> September 2017 London

19<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Bristol

5<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Manchester

£279 - £469 + VAT

With new safeguarding threats emerging, constant amendments to safeguarding legislation, and Ofsted scrutinising your safeguarding practice in even greater depth It is crucial you have the tools and knowledge to meet your legal obligations and protect your students.

What can I expect?

Legal update: Hear from top education lawyers and gain clarification on your safeguarding responsibilities for 2017/18

Online safety: Understand how online safety is linked to all other safeguarding areas and how to ensure your students understand the risks

Mental Health: Gain strategies to ensure meaningful support is offered to all students suffering from mental health difficulties

The full programme is currently in production, please get in touch at

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