

**Safeguarding Children Information Update
Conference Roundup
Updated 13th March 2018**

Online Safety Live

Online Safety Live is a programme of events designed exclusively for professionals working with children and young people and they're completely FREE.

Delivered across the whole of the UK by the South West Grid for Learning, we bring these events locally to you with all the very latest in online safety including the latest issues, the biggest trends and the best resources.

The events are two hours long and cover a broad range of online safety topics, a briefing session in its truest sense.

At the end of the event all delegates receive access to an online resource area containing links to all the materials mentioned, signposting to sources of help and support as well as a live copy of the presentation itself.

13 th March 2018	0930	Ealing
15 th March 2018	0930	Ramsgate
8 th May 2018	0930	Portcawl
8 th May 2018	1430	Llanelli
9 th May 2018	1430	Colwyn Bay
11 th May 2018	0930	Cardiff

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/online-safety-live>

Promoting Positive Parenting to Help Make the World a More Peaceful Place

14th March 2018 Cardiff

ISPCAN, BASPCAN, NSPCC Cymru/ Wales & Children in Wales would like to invite you to attend our joint conference at the Pierhead, Cardiff

The aims of this conference are:

- to explore the relevance to practice in Wales of findings from an international study by ISPCAN on promoting positive parenting in order to prevent violence against children
- to identify practical ways of improving parenting practice to achieve a future free from violence for children and young people in Wales

<https://www.baspcan.org.uk/event/promoting-positive-parenting-help-make-world-peaceful-place/>

Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation

15th March 2018 London

£295 + VAT

Tackling CSE is a key priority for both Government and local services. Despite significant progress, more must be done to safeguard children from CSE. The Government continues to push forward its national strategy under the pillars of tackling offending, reducing vulnerability and supporting victims and survivors.

Join us for an up-to-date brief on what is being done at a national and local level to combat CSE. You will explore the Government's strategy and learn from good practice case studies to take back and implement in your own setting.

Key Issues to be Addressed:

- Update of Government action to tackle CSE and the national picture
- Funding and commissioning update: opportunities for frontline services
- Strengthening multi-agency working across local authorities, police, health services, the third sector and other partners
- The Children and Social Work Act 2017 and its impact on child safeguarding
- The key role of the criminal justice system in preventing CSE and punishing offenders
- Practical steps to tackle CSE and advice from successful local strategies
- Working with local partners to build resilience and ensure a robust response to CSE

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/Child-Sexual-Exploitation>

Responding to the New Children's Services Inspection Regime

21st March 2018 London

£295 + VAT

Ofsted recently published the framework for its new inspection regime which will begin rolling out from January 2018. At its core, authorities will be required to evaluate themselves on the quality and impact of social work practice. This is so the gathered information can be used to tailor and prioritise inspections to each children's service.

Key issues to be addressed at this briefing include:

- Understanding the changes to children's service inspections by Ofsted
- Applying a proportionate and risk-based approach to inspection
- Outlining the difference between standard, short inspections and focused visits
- Monitoring inadequate local authorities
- Exploring inspection methodology and post-inspection actions
- Roles and expectations of inspectors
- Demonstrating good performance
- Self-evaluations on an annual basis to determine inspection priorities
- Ensuring you are making a significant impact on lives of cared for children in your local authority area
- Measuring performance to determine where there needs to be improvement
- Examples of organisations preparing for inspections

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/Children-Services-Inspections>

Harmful sexual behaviours, group influences and safeguarding young people

22nd March 2018 London £60 - £65

As our understanding of sexual violence and abuse between young people has increased, so too has the need to develop age-appropriate and contextually relevant practices. In recent years particular concerns have emerged about the dynamics of group-based sexually abuse between young people, and the particular challenges of assessing and intervening with the young people involved.

During this interactive training session attendees will be supported to consider contextual dynamics of risk assessing young people who have sexually harmed in groups and identify the implications for the design and delivery of interventions

<https://www.baspcan.org.uk/event/harmful-sexual-behaviours-group-influences-safeguarding-young-people-interactive-workshop/>
<http://www.nota.co.uk/training/list-of-events/>

BASPCAN 10th International Congress

8th – 11th April 2018 Coventry, UK

Thinking Outside the Box: innovative perspectives on protecting children and young people.

This congress 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.

Online registration for congress is now open, with early bird registration rates available. The call for abstracts is now open for presentations and workshops.

<https://www.baspcan.org.uk/congress-2018/>
<https://www.baspcan.org.uk/congress-2018/baspcan-congress-2018-bookings/>

Next steps for safeguarding children in England - implementing the Children and Social Work Act, strengthening multi-agency working and tackling CSA

25th April 2018 London £230 + VAT

This seminar is bringing together policymakers with key stakeholders to assess the priorities for child protection services and the next steps for safeguarding children in England.

Areas for discussion include:

- The Children and Social Work Act: progress so far in improving multi-agency collaborative partnerships and next steps for collaboration between safeguarding partners, ensuring sufficient provision and engaging in joint targeted area inspections;
- Establishing Social Work England: key priorities for social work as the Government consults on creating a new regulator;
- The Centre of expertise on CSE: challenges ahead for this new organisation in tackling CSA, and further steps that might be taken using the funding provided by the Home Office;
- Online safety: opportunities for enhancing protection for children online - including the future responsibilities for internet service providers;

- Schools: what further support and training will be needed to support schools in meeting their responsibilities and identifying those children at risk of abuse; and
 - The judicial process: priorities for improving the system to ensure victims are fully supported.
- <http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/conference/child-protection-2018>

Supporting Student Wellbeing in Independent Schools

26th April 2018 London

£349 - £459 + VAT

This event is your opportunity to network with leading experts and practitioners in the independent sector to take away proven strategies and resources to support mental health challenges and stay up to date on the latest risks to keep your student safe.

The event will feature in-depth keynotes with leading experts and a choice of practical and interactive workshops specifically for independent schools including:

- Anxiety: Understand the root causes of anxiety and know how to offer meaningful support to students suffering high levels of anxiety
- Resilience: Know how to build resilience within your students and enable them to deal with challenges
- Parents: Gain methods to work with parents to manage the extra pressure they can put on their children
- Social Media: Hear the latest new and emerging trends in online safety and work with students to prevent cyberbullying
- Stress: Learn new ways to share with students to manage stress from parental and exam pressures

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/supporting-student-wellbeing-independent-schools>

Safeguarding Children: Finding solutions for better protection

24th May 2018 Manchester £160 - £230 + VAT Private £495 + fee and VAT

In recent years, the issue of safeguarding children has received more and more media attention. High-profile cases have shed a greater light on protecting society's children. This has contributed to a large increase in demand on already-strained resources. Threats to children's safety include social care, domestic abuse, social and mainstream media, radicalisation, funding cuts for children's services, trafficking and concerns for migrant and refugee children. The answers to many of these issues emphasise the importance of early intervention.

Benefits of attending this conference:

- Learn more about new policies and frameworks in place to safeguard children.
- Practical insights into setting out strategic arrangements to ensure services are better coordinated across a spectrum encompassing child protection, safeguarding and wellbeing.
- Learn how services can make improvements and provide high-quality delivery.
- Gain a greater understanding of how to tackle complex issues of safeguarding such as online safety, trafficking, domestic abuse and radicalisation.
- Learn how to implement improvements to child protection procedures and how best to respond to concerns about a child.
- An agenda designed to inform practitioners how to create a safer, more consistent approach to protecting and safeguarding children and young people.

- Explore how multi-agency arrangements can be improved to identify children at risk earlier on.
- Practical advice on defining an area and its boundaries so services across police, schools, healthcare and local government can be better coordinated.
- Advice on how to create an environment where better suited practitioners can get on with practise and protecting children.
- Understand how to drive up service quality and implement effective prevention, protection and safeguarding strategies.

<https://openforumevents.co.uk/events/2018/safeguarding-children-finding-solutions-for-better-protection/>

NSPCC conference: How safe are our children? Growing up online

20th – 21st June 2018 London £169 - £219 (early bird prices)

The conference will explore the latest research and insight on keeping children safe in the digital age. The conference will also see the launch of the NSPCC's How safe are our children? 2018 report, an overview of the latest child protection data from the UK.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-you-can-do/charity-runs-cycles-and-challenges/social-and-special-events/how-safe-are-our-children-conference-2018-growing-up-online/>

Children and Young People's Mental Health: Providing Effective Support

3rd July 2018 London

£160 - £230 + VAT Private £495 + fee & VAT

Mental health issues are hitting the headlines more frequently than ever before, with children and young people being particularly vulnerable. Half of all mental health problems have been established by the age of 14, rising to 75% by age 24. While the national government has started implementing its Five-Year Forward View for Mental Health, with particular priority for children and young people, reports are not yet showing positive results.

A green paper was published in December 2017 on transforming mental health services for children and young people. There were several proposals, including:

- designating a senior mental health lead in schools,
- setting up a four-week waiting time for NHS CAMHS services,
- new mental health support teams in schools and
- all compulsory mental health awareness training.

As the policy and media response to this issue continuously grows, this event invites you analyse, discuss and learn about the latest developments and move the conversation forward.

https://openforumevents.co.uk/events/2018/children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-providing-effective-support/?utm_source=OFE+S1.1+CAMHS18+NEW+DATA+24.01.2018&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=OFE+S1.1+CAMHS18+WC+22.01.2018+NEW+DATA