

Safeguarding Children Information Update
Conference Roundup
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Child Protection in Education 2018

11th September 2018 London
18th September 2018 Bristol
4th October 2018 Manchester
£279 - £469 + VAT

With new safeguarding threats emerging and constant changes made to safeguarding legislation, it's vital that you have the support and guidance you need to help you meet these obligations and protect your pupils.

This conference provides an opportunity to engage with the country's leading educational lawyers, safeguarding experts and practitioners to ensure no child slips through your safeguarding net.

Full programme to be announced shortly. However, you can expect in-depth keynotes with leading experts and a choice of workshops including:

- Legal update: hear from top education lawyers and gain clarification on your safeguarding responsibilities for 2018/19
- Mental health: gain strategies to support students with anxiety, stress, depression and self-harm
- Online: stay up-to-date with the latest online dangers and gain guidance on sexting, cyberbullying and online grooming

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/child-protection-education-2018-london>

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/child-protection-education-2018-bristol>

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/child-protection-education-2018-manchester>

Mental Health 2018 - Delivering the Five year Forward View

19th of September 2018 London

£195 - £295 + VAT

The independent Mental Health Taskforce published its Five Year Forward View in February 2016 which set out the current state of mental health service provision in England and made recommendations in all service areas. NHS England accepted all the recommendations in the report for which it held responsibility and it was agreed with the Government that to support this transformation, mental health services will benefit from additional investment of £1bn per year by 2020/21.

In July 2016, NHS England published an Implementation Plan detailing how it will deliver the recommendations made by the Taskforce working with its partner arms-length bodies. The Plan presents the timeframes and funding for delivery of the programmes of work which will transform mental health services.

It shows how the delivery partners will work together at national and local level, and how they will be held to account for meeting the timeframes and for using the funding in the most effective way.

NHS England has established strong governance structures to oversee the work and to hold the health and care system to account for improving mental health services.

This conference is an opportunity to consider progress of the Implementation Plan and monitor progress on its commitments to transform mental health services. This conference will allow participants to hear from senior leaders from many of the key partner organisations involved in the Five Year Forward View for Mental Health.

http://mentalhealth2018.govconnect.org.uk/index.php?alias=mental-health-2018&option=com_content&view=article&id=67&Itemid=134

Next steps for alternative provision in England: quality, delivery and progression

19th October 2018 London £230 + VAT

This seminar will examine the next steps for alternative provision (AP) in England.

Delegates will discuss the Government's recently-published plan for reforming AP, which focuses on improving quality and meeting individual needs, developing best practice and partnerships, and expanding the number of AP free schools - and would introduce a dedicated AP Innovation Fund.

Sessions will also consider next steps for improving outcomes for children and young people when leaving AP and transition to other education settings, training, higher education and employment - looking at guidance and relationships with employers and post 16 providers.

The agenda also includes a session looking at standards, and the quality and oversight of AP in unregistered settings.

The seminar will be an opportunity to consider the findings of the Education Select Committee's AP inquiry, looking at routes in AP, the standards of teaching and outcomes for students - and follows the announcement of an independent review into school exclusions, which is due to report by the end of the year.

Planned sessions will also examine the impact of AP free schools, including the lessons learnt and priorities for the next wave.

<http://www.westminsterforumprojects.co.uk/conference/alternative-provision-18>

Prioritising workforce wellbeing in schools

20th September 2018 London

Free - £345 + VAT

Amid difficulties with recruitment and retention in schools and with staff stress on the rise, it is increasingly important to focus on improving workforce wellbeing. Good wellbeing is also a vital component in ensuring increased engagement and productivity.

This one-day event will provide information about how you can promote wellbeing in all its forms as an organisation, and what is being done at a national level to address this issue.

Topics covered will include:

- A better work-life balance from the start – designing quality flexible and part-time working opportunities in schools
- Raising retention through reducing teacher workload
- Securing the financial wellbeing of staff
- Embedding a wellbeing culture in schools

[https://lgaevents.local.gov.uk/lga/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=199861&eventID=591&CSPCHD=001001000000OTb7VCcSzanGT2zcJMKVpNLH8w\\$LiwaNX0Ms1U](https://lgaevents.local.gov.uk/lga/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=199861&eventID=591&CSPCHD=001001000000OTb7VCcSzanGT2zcJMKVpNLH8w$LiwaNX0Ms1U)

Saving Young Lives - Preventing Suicide in Young People & Children

21st September 2018 London

£300 - £495 + VAT

This conference will give you an opportunity to hear from expert speakers on how your service can reduce preventable suicides and save young lives.

Through national updates including a presentation from Emma Thomas, CEO, Young Minds, case studies from multi-agency settings and personal story insight, this conference aims to set the scene for progress already being made and what needs to change to implement the National Inquiry key recommendations, in line with the Five Year Forward View for improved young people's mental health care.

<http://www.tacinterconnections.com/index.php/allnews/events/2946-saving-young-lives-preventing-suicide-in-young-people-children-national-cpd-conference-friday-21-september-2018-london-uk>

<https://www.healthcareconferencesuk.co.uk/preventing-suicide-in-young-people-and-children>

Healthy child healthy future: a whole council approach to childhood obesity

26th September 2018 London

Free - £345 + VAT

Childhood obesity is one of the biggest health challenges of the 21st century. At the start of primary school, one in 10 children are obese and by the end, that has increased to one in five. If you include those who are overweight, the rates rise to a more than a fifth and a third respectively.

The government in England published its next chapter of the child obesity plan over the summer, with the bold ambition to halve child obesity by 2030.

We know that those growing up in the most deprived communities are at the greatest risk. The chances of being obese are about twice that of those who live in the least deprived areas. It is an 'obesity gap' that has been getting wider over the past decade.

We are seeing councils up and down the country trying a host of innovative approaches in a wide variety of ways, and different partners, that the sector is working with their colleagues in planning to not only restrict takeaways, but also working proactively to ensure new developments take into account health and wellbeing. Some are focussing on getting children physically active – the latest figures suggest less than one in four children are achieving the required levels.

Meanwhile, others are concentrating on food and diet. In doing so, they are forging important partnerships with early years settings, schools, community groups and local businesses.

Join us for the child obesity conference where expert speakers will discuss the latest approaches to the growing challenges in public health. Understand the underlying causes of obesity and how to combat them, observe methods for influencing behaviour and improving public health through prevention and see how different councils can collaborate to find solutions to the obesity problem.

<https://lgaevents.local.gov.uk/lga/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=199524&eventID=590>

National Children and Adult Services Conference

14th – 16th November 2018 Manchester

£130 - £475 + VAT

The well-established National Children and Adult Services Conference (NCASC) is widely regarded as the most prestigious event in the calendar for elected members and senior managers in LAs with responsibility for, or an interest in, the provision of effective services for children, young people and vulnerable adults.

This event is vital to councillors, directors, senior officers, directors of public health, policy makers and service managers, indeed any individual or organisation with responsibilities for children and adults in the statutory, voluntary and private sector. The Conference is the annual opportunity for those with an interest in social care, children's services, education, health and related fields to meet.

There will be a mix of keynote and ministerial addresses as well as significant plenary sessions by key players in the adult, children and education sectors.

<http://ncasc.info/>

Modern Slavery: Disruption and Community Safety

21st November 2018 London

Free - £345 +VAT

Modern slavery is a shocking crime, often hidden in plain sight in the businesses that we use and in the homes that we live next door to. There are more than 40 million people in modern slavery

across the world now, and tens of thousands in the UK. The Government has called it the “gravest human rights abuse of our time”.

Councils have a key role to play in tackling modern slavery through disruption activities. This could be through licensing, regulation, housing or community safety services. This event will provide practical examples of work that has been undertaken already and members will hear from experts in their field about tackling the issue.

<https://lgaevents.local.gov.uk/lga/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=212165&eventID=627>

Youth Justice Convention 2018

27th – 28th November 2018

Leicester £235 - £650 + VAT

Hosted by the YJB, the Youth Justice Convention is the annual event for all those working in the youth justice system, in particular managers, professionals, practitioners and policy makers.

This year's convention is titled 'Child first' and will tackle key topics, including:

- The latest youth justice reforms and YJB priorities
- Effective diversion and prevention
- Serious youth violence

<http://www.youthjusticeconvention.co.uk/>

Looked After Children: Improving Life Chances

5th December 2018

Manchester £170 - £525 + VAT

Latest government figures show that there are 72,000 children in care in England.

A recently published report surveyed 2,263 people that had been taken into LA care. The responses revealed that for 83%, being in care was a positive experience and had enhanced their wellbeing and improved their lives. However, the findings also highlighted areas that required improvements, such as communicating why the person has been taken into care, frequent changes in social workers and the feeling of not being listened to and decisions being made without consultation.

This conference will offer delegates the opportunity to be fully briefed on the current situation within the care system and gain an update on the latest developments in terms of policy and funding.

<https://openforumevents.co.uk/events/2018/looked-after-children-improving-life-chances/>

Child Safeguarding Conference 2018

6th December 2018 Salford

£325 + VAT (Early Bird Discount)

There are 650,000 children living in “high risk” environments in the UK while 800,000 young people are suffering with some form of mental health problem.

In response, the Government has announced £17m of additional funding to improve children's services and unveiled plans to increase information sharing across safeguarding organisations.

In January 2018 the Children's Commissioner published the "Life in Likes" report, highlighting how new technology presents a new safeguarding challenge. Experts believe the anxiety and stress caused by social media use is a contributing factor to a growing mental health crisis among school children.

Attend this Conference where expert speakers will explain how your organisation can keep the most vulnerable children safe from harm. Understand the implications of recent developments including the Children and Social Work Act 2017 and the "Keeping Children Safe in Education" statutory guidance, learn how to overcome the challenges posed by new technology and discuss how public sector bodies can do more to protect children at a time when budgets are under pressure.

<http://www.salford.ac.uk/onecpd/conferences/child-safeguarding-conference>

Safeguarding Conference

8th February 2019 Manchester £249 + VAT (early bird £209 + VAT until 19th October)

Our Safeguarding Children Conference brings together national leaders and experts in safeguarding and child protection. Through attending workshops and hearing from highly regarded keynote speakers, delegates will explore key safeguarding issues for schools and academies.

<https://www.oneeducation.co.uk/events/cpd/safeguarding/safeguarding-conference-2019/>

<https://www.oneeducation.co.uk/safeguardingconf19>