

**Safeguarding Children Information Update  
Conference Roundup  
Updated 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Safeguarding Children and Young People Conference**

27<sup>th</sup> March 2019      London      £299.99 + VAT

The safeguarding of children and young people is one of the most important concerns for any school. With recent and upcoming changes to guidance documents and a growing number of issues to consider, this conference will provide your school with the information and support it needs to deliver outstanding safeguarding.

**Learning Objectives**

- Stay up-to-date with the latest safeguarding legislation and guidance for 2019
- Prepare for Ofsted's new inspection framework (Sept 2019)
- Support your student's mental health and tackle those difficult issues
- Protect students from online risks – inside and outside the classroom
- Learn how to effectively deal with agencies and build efficient processes

<https://www.forumbusinessstraining.co.uk/product/education/safeguarding-children-and-young-people-conference-london-2019/>

**The National School Inspections Event 2019**

27<sup>th</sup> March 2019      London

£299 - £550 + VAT

Schools are facing a wide range of challenges in navigating the school inspection process before, during and after inspections. Ofsted's new inspection framework is due to come into effect in September 2019. It will keep the current system of grades and will have a clearer focus on behaviour. Another priority is how inspections can complement rather than reinforce performance data. It is expected that Ofsted's on-going curriculum review work will not lead to an "Ofsted-approved" curriculum, however it will see school leaders being asked to justify their curriculum decisions.

This timely conference will give the latest updates on the progress of current inspections and the outlook for September 2019 and beyond. It will examine important components of school inspections including the relationship between inspection outcomes and school data; pupil behaviour and curriculum development. It will provide greater clarification and guidance on how to improve and sustain the standard of education in your school. <https://www.governmentevents.co.uk/product/the-national-ofsted-school-inspections-conference/>

**Transforming Children and Young People's Mental Health Provision**

27<sup>th</sup> March 2019      London      £299 - £550

Reported mental health problems amongst children and young people have increased five-fold over the past 20 years. According to NHS figures, almost 400,000 children and young people a

year in England are being treated for mental health problems, the highest number ever. Almost 50,000 children and young people a month are being referred, mainly by their GP, for mental health treatment. Experts have warned that there is an unfolding crisis in young people's mental health linked to increased pressure to do well at school, body image issues, the influence of social media and difficult family backgrounds. NHS England admits that only one in four people under 18 with a diagnosable mental health problem receives treatment, with the others deemed not to need help after undergoing triage. It plans to increase that to 35% of all those needing help by 2020-21. The NAO report in October 2018 said even if current plans to spend an extra £1.4bn on the sector were delivered, there would be "significant unmet need" because of staff shortages, poor data and a lack of spending controls on NHS clinical commissioning groups.

Following the publication of the Government's green paper in December 2017 and the consultation to transform mental health provision for children and young people in July 2018, this conference looks at how the key stakeholders involved in providing mental health support and care for children and young people can effectively bring about service transformation. It provides an invaluable opportunity for NHS staff, public health bodies, LAs, social care professionals, education providers and third sector practitioners to get the latest policy updates and learn from innovative case studies demonstrating best practice across a range of service providers.

<https://www.governmentevents.co.uk/product/transforming-the-mental-health-of-children-and-young-people/>

### **Combating Gangs, Violence and Weapon Crime, Manchester**

25<sup>th</sup> April 2019                      Manchester                      £299 - £550 + VAT

26 years ago a 14 year old school boy was gunned down on the streets of Moss Side, Manchester. John 'Benji' Stanley's death heralded the early beginnings of the gang culture, its cause, effect and impact on the many lives that have been lost over the past quarter of a century and the climate of fear and despair that continues to blight our communities.

The Government is determined to do all it can to break the deadly cycle of violence that devastates the lives of individuals, families and communities. The 'Serious Violence Strategy' launched on 9th April 2018 sets out how we will respond to serious violence. Funding of £40 million has been made to boost local 'open access' youth provision in six targeted disadvantaged areas in England.

This conference will look at the cities affected, lessons learned, what works, what doesn't work and more importantly what we need to do in order to prevent, intervene and rehabilitate disaffection, disadvantage and disillusionment that can lead to anti-social behaviour, gang related violence and extremism.

With keynotes from senior bodies and case study examples of best practice, attendees will get the latest information and be able to benchmark and gain new insights and strategies.

<https://www.governmentevents.co.uk/product/combating-gangs-violence-and-weapon-crime-manchester/>

### **Keeping Children and Young People Safe Online: Preventing Threats, Ensuring Protection**

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019      London      £299 - £550

Whilst the Internet is a great resource, there are many risks that can be encountered by children and young people. Using the internet as a learning tool can be extremely beneficial and enhance learning in many ways, however it is important to incorporate internet safety themes across the curriculum. Almost 1 in 4 of 8-11-year olds and 3 in 4 of 12-15 year-olds has a social media profile (Ofcom 2017). 1 in 4 children have experienced something upsetting on a social networking site and around 1 in 8 young people have been bullied on social media.

Since 2014 online safety has been part of the National Curriculum and it is inspected by Ofsted. The DfE's statutory guidance 'Keeping Children Safe in Education', 2015, updated in September 2018, obliges schools and colleges in England to "ensure appropriate filters and appropriate monitoring systems are in place. Children should not be able to access harmful or inappropriate material from the school or colleges IT system" however, schools will need to "be careful that "over blocking" does not lead to unreasonable restrictions as to what children can be taught with regards to online teaching and safeguarding." Digital Secretary Matt Hancock announced in May 2018 that new laws will be created to make sure that the UK is the safest place in the world to be online following the Internet Safety Strategy consultation.

This conference brings together a range of senior leaders to share their knowledge and practical experience of keeping pupils safe online whilst using the internet to improve teaching and learning.

<https://www.governmentevents.co.uk/product/keeping-children-and-young-people-safe-online-preventing-threats-ensuring-protection/>

### **Protect and Support Vulnerable Teenagers**

6<sup>th</sup> June 2019      Birmingham

£349 - £459 +VAT

This event will provide you with the methods and strategies you need to manage and support your vulnerable students. In addition to a variety of networking opportunities, you will also get to attend a variety of keynotes and workshops on current challenges such as mental health as well as emerging threats including county lines. The aim of the event is to ensure every path is covered when safeguarding your most vulnerable students.

You can expect in-depth keynotes with leading experts and a choice of workshops including:

- mental health: effective and innovative ways to support teenagers with mental health problems
- social media: improve your understanding of social media trends and be one step ahead of your students
- county lines: learn the signs that a student may be caught up in county line activity, and keep you school safe
- risky behaviour: understand the psychology behind engaging in risky behaviours and how it can be prevented.

<http://my.optimus-education.com/conferences/protect-and-support-vulnerable-teenagers>

### **How safe are our children? Growing up online 2.0**

25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019      London

£239 - £289

Children and young people are growing up in a world with an ever-growing focus on all things digital, which offers a whole host of exciting possibilities. And with the online world changing all the time, so does the way children and young people interact with it.

If you're working with children and young people it's essential you understand the potential risks and issues children may face online to better protect them in your professional role and to help young people thrive online.

At this year's two-day conference, you'll hear sector leaders share their knowledge, expertise and solutions to protect children online including topics on young people and digital relationships, the 'internet of things', gaming and the dark web.

<https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/news/2019/june/how-safe-are-our-children-conference-2019>

### **The National Future of Safeguarding in the Voluntary Sector Event**

26<sup>th</sup> June 2019      London

£269 - £550 + VAT

Topics to be covered include:

- Understanding Safeguarding Expectations and Responsibilities in the Voluntary Sector
- Developing a comprehensive Approach to Safeguarding
- Prioritising Safeguarding in the Recruitment and Training of Volunteers
- Effective Reporting and Investigation
- Addressing Culture to improve Safeguarding Practices
- Tackling Safeguarding Issues across the Aid Sector
- Integrating Safeguarding and Data Protection Approaches
- Working in partnership with Local Authority Safeguarding Boards
- How to write a comprehensive and effective Safeguarding Policy

<https://www.governmentevents.co.uk/product/safeguarding-voluntary/>

### **Safeguarding Association Conference 2019**

9<sup>th</sup> October 2019      Hull      £104.34

This Annual conference brings together senior child protection professionals from across the sectors for a day of in-depth learning and knowledge sharing.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/annual-safeguarding-association-conference-2019-tickets-51263861590>