

Safeguarding Children Information Update
Live Consultations
Updated 10th July 2019

Funding for SEND and those who need alternative provision: Call for evidence (03/05/19)

We are aware of concerns about the funding allocated for young people with special educational needs and disabilities in England and are looking carefully at how much overall funding will be needed in future years.

This call for evidence is an invitation to consider other aspects of the funding arrangements that:

- could be changed to help LAs, schools, colleges and other providers in their support for young people with SEND, those requiring alternative provision (AP) and those at risk of exclusion from school, and
- may not be helping us get the most value from the resources available.

We have also asked the Council for Disabled Children to organise a small number of workshops across the country, so that we can discuss the themes in this call for evidence in greater detail.

If you would like to attend one of these events, please register your interest at senfinancialevts@ncb.org.uk giving your name, role, organisation and email address. They will send you information about the events as soon as it is available.

Closing date: 31st July 2019

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/funding-policy-unit/funding-for-send-and-those-who-need-ap-call-for-ev/>

Open consultation - Support for victims of domestic abuse in safe accommodation (13/05/19)

This paper seeks views on government proposals for a new approach to support victims of domestic abuse and their children in accommodation-based services in England.

We are consulting on a new delivery model for accommodation-based support. This includes the introduction of a statutory duty on local authorities to provide support that meets the diverse needs of victims of domestic abuse and their children, ensuring they have access to provision that is right for them.

We welcome views on:

- the definition of accommodation-based services and support
- leadership and responsibilities
- local and national accountability
- guidance

We would like to hear from victims and survivors, service providers, local authorities, police and crime commissioners and other public agencies, as well as other professionals who support victims and their children.

Closing Date: 2nd August 2019

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/support-for-victims-of-domestic-abuse-in-safe-accommodation>

Open Consultation - Measuring social services performance: code of practice
(13/05/19)

We want your views on the revised code of practice on measuring the performance of social services.

We are consulting on what should be included in the code of practice and the supporting technical guidance. This includes:

- how local authorities performance should be measured
- the quality standards that all local authorities should be working towards
- a new performance and improvement framework that local authorities will be required to collect.

Closing date: 5th August 2019

<https://gov.wales/measuring-social-services-performance-code-practice>

Open Consultation - Children and young people's continuing care (17/05/19)

We want your views on updated guidance about continuing care for children and young people.

Continuing Care is care provided over an extended period of time to address physical or mental health needs which cannot be met by existing universal or specialist services.

This update of the 2012 guidance assists local health boards, local authorities and their partners to plan and support children and young people's continuing care needs.

Closing date: 9th August 2019

<https://gov.wales/children-and-young-peoples-continuing-care>

Children's homes workforce: a call for evidence (06/06/19)

The DfE is seeking your views on professional registration, and existing approaches to regulating the children's homes workforce.

This call for evidence welcomes views on establishing professional registration for people in care roles in children's homes, and existing approaches to regulating the children's homes workforce.

Responses will be used to inform the Department's thinking on where improvements could be made to ensure children in children's homes receive high quality care in a safe environment.

Independent report

Closing Date: 27th August 2019

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/children-in-care-and-permanence/childrens-homes-workforce-call-for-evidence/>