

**Safeguarding Children Information Update  
Conference Roundup  
Updated 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

[The Youth Justice Conference 2021: Improving Outcomes Through Partnership Working](#)

9<sup>th</sup> September 2021                      Online                      £315 - £575 + VAT

There have long been calls for reforms to the youth justice system, and the Covid-19 pandemic has only highlighted the challenges to the youth justice sector. Concerning trends such as the overrepresentation of BAME children in custody, the increase of young people committing violent crimes, and the over-criminalisation of children in care require addressing. While there is plenty of good practice across the system, youth justice experts are calling for a greater focus on preventative approaches, rehabilitation, mental health support and learning disability provisions. Now is a vital time for cross-agency collaboration to re-evaluate young offender provisions across the country to achieve consistent and appropriate treatment of all children in the system.

Join us at this conference to hear the latest policy and practice updates from leading practitioners and policymakers in the youth justice system. This event will showcase local best practice through proven case-studies which you can implement in your own context. You will also have the opportunity to network with colleagues from all parts of the youth justice system whilst hearing fresh perspectives, sharing practical tips and discussing ways to improve the system.

[Working in Partnership to Safeguard Children & Young People 2021](#)

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In the last year, safeguarding practices for children and young people have had to significantly adapt in response to Covid-19. In Nov 20, there was a 12% fall in referrals to children's services, suggesting there is a growing number of unidentified vulnerable children due to Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. The pandemic has also exacerbated several existing challenges for safeguarding services, including an increase in mental health issues and a rise in online abuse. As lockdown measures are set to be lifted, new cross-sector approaches are needed to identify and respond to unreported cases of abuse and protect vulnerable children and young people.

Join us to hear the latest initiatives and collaborative approaches from national and local leaders working to protect and engage with vulnerable individuals. This conference will address real concerns for schools, LAs, police forces, NHS trusts and voluntary organisations in safeguarding children and young people. You will be able to share your experiences and challenges faced in developing and delivering safeguarding services through networking, engaging with best practice case studies, and sharing ideas for moving forward.

**The Tackling Child Poverty Conference 2021: Developing a Multi-Agency Approach to Improve Local Services**

22<sup>nd</sup> September 22      Online      £315 - £575 + VAT

Join us to Improve Local Services to hear the latest best practice in supporting children in need in the wake of Covid-19. With a focus on collaboration, this conference will cover a wide range of case studies from outstanding local services and voluntary organisations, from whole-family support and improving children's mental health, to effectively using data to evaluate and enhance your services. You will also have the opportunity to discuss vital learning points from Covid-19 and beyond with senior colleagues across the sector.

<https://www.governmentevents.co.uk/event/the-tackling-child-poverty-conference-2021/>

### **Tackling Modern Slavery and Supporting Victims of Slavery and Exploitation**

12<sup>th</sup> October 2021      Online      £315 - £575 + VAT

Join us to hear the latest initiatives and collaborative approaches to tackling modern slavery and supporting victims of slavery. This conference will address real concerns for police forces, local authorities, and voluntary organisations in identifying and preventing modern slavery. You will be able to share your experiences and challenges faced in adapting responses to modern slavery due to Covid-19 through networking, engaging with best practice case studies, and sharing ideas for moving forward.

<https://tackleslavery.co.uk/>

### **The Children in Care Conference 2021: Improving Outcomes for Looked-After Children**

14<sup>th</sup> October 2021      Online      £315 - £575 + VAT

Join us to hear the latest updates from key organisations working with children in care. Learn from best practice case studies from a range of settings such as improving placement stability, supporting unaccompanied asylum-seeking children and proactive multi-agency safeguarding. Network with colleagues from across the sector to discuss challenges and strategies to overcome them.

<https://childrenincareconf.co.uk/>