

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN
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Nick Clegg slams bullying (17/11/10)

To mark Anti-Bullying Week, the Deputy PM today sent a message to young bullies that their behaviour will not be tolerated, that teachers will be given the authority to crack down on bullying, and that schools will be able to deal with bullying even when it occurs away from their premises.

In a video message, he warned that the prejudices that start at school, such as homophobia, can have lifelong effects, and called for schools to join the Coalition Government in adopting a zero tolerance approach.

The broadcast of this message followed a meeting with Beatbullying, who presented him with a petition from their Big March campaign against bullying. Mr Clegg promised to consider carefully the campaign's calls for a Review of bullying guidance across government.

<http://www.beatbullying.org/dox/media-centre/press-releases/Nov%2010/nick-clegg-slams-bullying.html>

http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/newsroom/news_releases/2010/101117-clegg-slams-bullying.aspx

THINK! Team up with football clubs to keep children safe on the roads (22/11/10)

An innovative new partnership between the THINK! child road safety campaign and four football clubs has been launched by Road Safety Minister Mike Penning.

Blackburn Rovers, Sunderland, West Bromwich Albion and Leeds United will use their after-school clubs and activities in



schools and on match days to help youngsters learn about road safety with THINK!'s Tales of the Road materials.

The new initiative will focus on helping 6 – 11 year-olds learn how to find safe places to cross the road after evidence showed this as a key factor in helping children stay safe on the roads.

The clubs taking part in the pilot are based in regions with above average casualty numbers for children aged 6 - 11. This work will be supported by local road safety officers and council road safety programmes. In addition, THINK! will distribute exercise books with road safety activities to primary schools across the country in January 2011.

<http://nds.coi.gov.uk/clientmicrosite/Content/Detail.aspx?ClientId=202&NewsAreaId=2&ReleaseID=416645&SubjectId=36>

Consult Welsh children on safe places to play – says committee report (22/11/10)

An inquiry by the C&YP Committee found involving them in projects and programmes from the outset provided valuable information and helped break down barriers between generations where previously there was a feeling of uncertainty or even fear.

Those who gave evidence of projects in communities across Wales, all spoke of the importance of safe and accessible play facilities for children and young people to use and the benefits those facilities and services can have for the wider community.

<http://www.assemblywales.org/newhome/new-news-third-assembly.htm?act=dis&id=203559&ds=11/2010>

Children and Young People in Custody 2009–10 - An analysis of the experiences of 15–18-year-olds in prison (18/11/10)

The report from HM Inspectorate of Prisons and the YJB sets out how young people aged 15 to 18 describe their own experience of imprisonment in 2009/10.

The number of young people in custody, held in young offender institutions, fell during 2009-10 from 2,126 to 1,724. This may mean the treatment directed to the young people can be more effectively targeted, but also that imprisonment is now increasingly focused on the most troubled, and troublesome, young people.

<http://www.yjb.gov.uk/en-gb/News/experiencesofyoungpeopleincustody2009-2010.htm?area=Professional>
<http://www.yjb.gov.uk/NR/rdonlyres/5B5A3201-9194-4FBF-9BC1-D7678ADE1D87/0/ChildrenandYoungPeopleinCustody200910.pdf>
http://www.justice.gov.uk/inspectores/hmi-prisons/docs/Children_young_people_2010_PN_rps.pdf

Consultation on Experimental Statistics from the British Crime Survey Extension to Children: Response from Home Office Statistics

HO Statistics launched a 12-week consultation alongside the publication of the experimental statistics from the extension of the BCS to children aged 10 to 15.

The consultation period ended on 26/08/10 and this document provides a summary of the responses to the consultation and an outline of actions and decisions taken, or to be taken.

<http://rds.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs10/consult-stats-bcs-child-horesponse-1110.pdf>
<http://rds.homeoffice.gov.uk/rds/pdfs10/respondents-consult-stats-bcs-child-1110.pdf>

Sarah Teather responds to claims about LA funding for children's centres (18/11/10)

Responding to reports that 80% of LAs cannot guarantee they will fund their children's centres at the same level in the next financial year as in the current year, Children's Minister Sarah Teather said:

We have ensured there is enough money in the system to maintain the network of Sure Start services. We have secured funding for free childcare for 3 and 4 year olds as well as the most disadvantaged 2 year olds. As councils make their spending decisions in the coming months, I hope they recognise the priority the Government has placed on early education.

We know high-quality Early Years support can have a lasting impact on children's lives, so we will expect local authorities to channel resources at those who will benefit most from the excellent support children's centres can offer.

<http://www.education.gov.uk/inthenews/inthenews/a0068149/sarah-teather-responds-to-claims-about-la-funding-for-childrens-centres>

Tim Loughton responds to adoption statistics in letter to LAs (18/11/10)

Tim Loughton has written to all LAs in England regarding the latest adoption statistics, which show significant variation in performance at local level. The Minister is calling on DCS and lead members to do everything possible to increase the number of children appropriately placed for adoption and to improve the speed with which decisions are made.

<http://www.education.gov.uk/inthenews/inthenews/a0068268/tim-loughton-responds-to-adoption-statistics-in-letter-to-las>

Vaccinations at 12 and 13 months of age
(18/11/10)

The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation have agreed that the routine childhood immunisation schedule should be simplified. Rather than 1 visit at 12 months of age to give Hib/MenC, and a second visit at 13 months to give PCV13 and MMR, the boosters of Hib/MenC and PCV13 should now be offered with MMR in one visit within a month after their first birthday. These vaccinations should not be given earlier than 12 months of age.

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Professionalletters/Chiefmedicalofficerletters/DH_121748

Six in one vaccine for children (22/11/10)


There have been some media reports that children will be vaccinated against six diseases at the same time, following a letter to the NHS from the CMO. This would be through receiving 3 vaccines (Hib/MenC, MMR and pneumococcal) in one visit rather than getting the first vaccine at 12 months of age and the second two at 13 months of age.

In response, a DH spokesperson said:
"Independent scientific research has shown that providing these vaccines at the same time is safe, effective and more convenient for parents."

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Statements/DH_122026

Cutting salt intake could lead to a healthy heart (18/11/10)

Researchers have used computer modelling to project that reducing daily salt intake by 3g could result in a 44 - 63% reduction in the number of teenagers and young adults with hypertension.

By the time they reach 50, the benefits of cutting levels of salt in their diet will 

become clear. Coronary heart disease would fall by 7 to 12%, the number of heart attacks by 8 to 14% and the number of strokes by up to 8%.

<http://www.nice.org.uk/newsroom/news/CuttingSaltIntake.jsp>

Plain packaging for cigarettes (22/11/10)

In response to reports that the Government is considering bringing in plain packaging for tobacco packets in order to prevent young people from taking up smoking, Secretary of State for Health, Andrew Lansley, said, "We have to try new approaches and take decisions to benefit the population. That's why I want to look at the idea of plain packaging. The evidence is clear that packaging helps to recruit smokers, so it makes sense to consider having less attractive packaging. It's wrong that children are being attracted to smoke by glitzy designs on packets.

"We would prefer it if people did not smoke and adults will still be able to buy cigarettes, but children should be protected from the start.

"The levels of poor health and deaths from smoking are still far too high, and the cost to the NHS and the economy is vast. That money could be used to educate our children and treat cancer.

"We will shortly set out a radical new approach to public health in a White Paper. We want to go further and faster in improving the health of the nation based firmly on doing what the evidence tells us works."

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Statements/DH_121982

Mental Health Act Annual Report 2009/10
(Nov 2010)

This is the first report of the work of the CQC in monitoring the use of the Mental Health Act. It covers the period from April 2009 until March 2010 and includes:

- The admission of children and adolescents to adult wards
- Holding powers used on children and adolescents in 2009/10
- Detention under the Act on child and adolescent wards

<http://www.cqc.org.uk/mentalhealthactannualreport2009-10/repothome.cfm>

<http://www.cqc.org.uk/mentalhealthactannualreport2009-10/downloadthereport.cfm>


Reading progress check for all Year 1 pupils (22/11/10)

All children will be given a phonics-based progress check in Year 1 so teachers can identify those not at the expected level in reading and in need of extra support, the Education Secretary has announced.

Mr Gove said too many primary school children were failing to reach the expected standard and that the short, light-touch test would be designed to assess how well Year 1 pupils could read simple, decodable words. He added that the screening check would be based on systematic synthetic phonics as it was internationally proven to drive up basic reading skills from a young age.

Mr Gove said it would be administered by pupils' teachers and would be designed to

- confirm whether individual pupils had grasped the basics of phonic decoding by the end of Year 1
- identify those pupils who needed extra help, so the school can provide support.

The Govt has launched a public consultation to ask teachers, parents, professionals 

and the public to submit views on how the check might work. It will be piloted in summer 2011 and take place nationally from summer 2012.

<http://www.education.gov.uk/inthenews/inthenews/a0068426/michael-gove-announces-reading-progress-check-for-all-year-1-pupils>

See Consultations

Children and Young People Encouraged to Highlight and Celebrate their Achievements (19/11/10)

The Welsh Assembly Government have launched a media and communications guide 'Tell it like it is' to help C&YP tell their stories more effectively and improve society's perceptions of their generation.

Improving the image of children and young people in society and in the media is one of the key aims of WAG's 'Getting it Right' Action Plan for Wales, which is designed to fulfil the objectives of the UNCRC.

<http://new.wales.gov.uk/newsroom/childrenandyoungpeople/2010/101119children/?lang=en>

Support for children's lead members (17/11/10)

Over 2010/11 LG Improvement and Development will offer 2 'Adults, children, health and well-being' leadership academy programmes for new lead members and those seeking to develop their knowledge and skills. The programmes are for lead members and those responsible for adults, childrens and health and well-being services.

This programme is aimed at lead members, cabinet and portfolio holders, chairs and vice chairs of overview and scrutiny committees with responsibility for adult, childrens or health and well-being services.

<http://www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pageId=22866639>

The Annual Report of HMCI Education, Children's Services and Skills 2009/10
(23/11/10)

Most children in England get a good start in life. Over two thirds of providers in the early years and childcare sector are judged to be good or outstanding. There is strong provision, too, in the education and skills sectors. Children and young people are generally well supported by local services when they need them. However, the quality of teaching in schools and colleges is still too variable, Ofsted reported today.

Ofsted's Annual Report 2009/10 shows that teaching is still no better than satisfactory in half of secondary schools, 43% of primaries and 43% of colleges that were inspected this year.

Ofsted's data also shows that while a strong relationship remains between deprivation and weaker provision it is not a barrier to a school succeeding. 9% of schools serving the most disadvantaged communities are outstanding, compared with the overall figure of 13%.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/News/The-Annual-Report-of-Her-Majesty-s-Chief-Inspector-of-Education-Children-s-Services-and-Skills-2009-10>
<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Publications-and-research/Browse-all-by/Annual-Report/2009-10/The-Annual-Report-of-Her-Majesty-s-Chief-Inspector-of-Education-Children-s-Services-and-Skills-2009-10>

Outstanding Providers 2009/10 (23/11/10)

The outstanding providers listed include early years registered providers, maintained schools, independent schools, colleges and providers of work-based learning, adult education and children's social care.



Most were inspected between 1 September 2009 and 31 August 2010.

The providers listed are those judged outstanding overall. In some cases special criteria may apply e.g. if a provider has more than one inspection during the period.

The proportions of providers inspected in each LA area vary from year to year and providers inspected do not necessarily represent the LA as a whole.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Publications-and-research/Browse-all-by/Annual-Report/2009-10/Outstanding-Providers-2009-10>

Data on schools causing concern, summer term 2010 (23/11/10)

This suite of six documents contains information about schools in special measures or with a notice to improve at the end of the summer term 2010.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Publications-and-research/Browse-all-by/Documents-by-type/Statistics/Maintained-schools/Schools-causing-concern/Data-on-schools-causing-concern-summer-term-2010>

Inspection judgements 2009/10 for maintained schools (23/11/10)

These workbooks present inspection judgements for inspections carried out in the academic year 2009/10 where the inspection report had been published by 18/11/10. They include inspection judgements from section 5, or section 8 deemed 5, inspections.

<http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/Ofsted-home/Publications-and-research/Browse-all-by/Documents-by-type/Statistics/Maintained-schools/Inspection-outcomes/Inspection-judgements-2009-10-for-maintained-schools>

Open Training Series 2011

Dates TBC - University of Nottingham.
1 – 5 courses: £55, £100, £140, £170, £200

The Ann Craft Trust has developed a training series looking at safeguarding disabled children and vulnerable adults, which will be of interest to professionals working with disabled children and vulnerable adults in the statutory, independent and voluntary sectors.

http://www.anncrafttrust.org/training_events.html

Small grants for VCS workforce development launched (18/11/10)

The NCVYS, with CWDC funding, have launched a Share and Learn Grant Scheme to support VCS front-line organisations delivering services to children, young people and families to share their experience of supporting and developing their staff and volunteers and enable other front-line organisations to learn from their practice.

The scheme will sign-up 13 Workforce Development Champions across England, who will share information about their work and host learning visits. A small number of grants are also available to 26 front-line organisations (Learning Partners) to take part in learning visits. Other organisations will be able to learn from the good practice examples the Champions will produce.

Closing Dates:

Champions: 16th December 2010

Learning Partners: 14th January 2011

<http://www.cwdcouncil.org.uk/news/4339>

<http://www.ncvys.org.uk/index.php?alias=share>

Making written information easier to understand for people with learning disabilities: Guidance for people who commission or produce Easy Read information - Revised edition 2010 (18/11/10)

There are an estimated 1.5m people with learning disabilities in the UK. This guidance will help central and local government organisations understand how they can communicate with all disabled people, including people with learning disabilities.

The guidance focuses on creating Easy Read, which uses simple words and pictures to communicate complex messages. People with learning disabilities are involved in developing the publications to make sure they are easy to understand.

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Press_releases/DH_121794

http://www.valuingpeoplenow.dh.gov.uk/webfm_send/377

Valuing People Now

Valuing People Now is the strategy that aims to improve the lives of people with learning disabilities. The DH has recently launched the new accessible webpages for people with learning disabilities

<http://www.valuingpeoplenow.dh.gov.uk/>

Transfer of social work regulation - Social Work Regulation Oversight Group

(16/11/10)

The Arms Length Body review published on 26/07/10 announced the abolition of the General Social Care Council and the transfer to the Health Professions Council. As part of this process, the Government has established the Social Work Regulation Oversight Group to oversee the transfer.

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Managingyourorganisation/Workforce/ProfessionalStandardsProgramme/DH_121700

The School Staffing (England) Regulations 2009 SI 2680 (18/11/10)

These Regulations, which consolidate previous school staffing regulations, Includes a requirement for at least one person involved in the interviewing of job applicants at a school to be trained in safer recruitment techniques (regulation 9).
<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2009/2680/contents/made>

Draft Statutory Instrument - The Breaks for Carers of Disabled Children Regulations 2010

The purpose of these Regulations is to prescribe how LAs should carry out their duty to provide a short breaks service to carers of disabled children. The 2010 Regulations prescribe the matters to which LAs must have regard when performing their duty, the range of breaks which must form part of an overall service, and the way in which local parents must be informed of that service.

http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2010/draft/em/ukdsiem_9780111503850_en.pdf
http://www.opsi.gov.uk/si/si2010/draft/pdf/ukdsi_9780111503850_en.pdf

EDCM Report

http://www.ncb.org.uk/edcm/news/news_archive/2010_news_archive/nov_2010/19_nov_10_short_break_duty.aspx

Credit Regulation (Child Pornography) Bill (22/11/10)

This Bill was on the Order Paper for a 2nd Reading debate on 19/11/10 but there was not enough time for debate on that day. The Bill will come back to the House for 2nd Reading debate on the 21st January 2011.
<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2010-11/creditregulationchildpornography.html>

Guidance on part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (11/11/10)

This guidance has been updated to reflect changes made by the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act 2008 and Policing and Crime Act 2009. The new measures are intended to aid the police in helping to prevent sex offenders from committing harm. This document provides guidance on the practical use and application of these powers.
<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/police/operational-policing/guidance-part-2-sexual-offences?view=Standard&pubID=841833>
<http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/publications/police/operational-policing/guidance-part-2-sexual-offences?view=Binary>

Providing anonymity to those accused of rape: an assessment of evidence (12/11/10)

This report brings together findings from previous reviews, research and statistics, to present a summary of evidence relevant to the issue of whether or not to provide anonymity to those accused of rape.

It examines key areas to determine whether the likely impact of anonymity can be identified from existing evidence, including:

- the legal position on anonymity in rape cases
- reporting and investigation of rape
- false allegations
- convictions and offending histories; and
- media coverage of criminal cases.

Findings will be of wider interest to those concerned with criminal justice policy, the offence of rape and violence against women and girls.

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/anonymity-rape-assessment-evidence.htm>
<http://www.justice.gov.uk/publications/docs/anonymity-rape-research-report.pdf>

DfE call for grant funding (22/11/10)

The DfE has published a national prospectus which outlines the key activities which it wishes to fund directly at a national level to support children, young people and families. The DfE is inviting Expressions of Interest for grant funding for the following 6 themes:

- Families and Relationships
- Early Years and Childcare
- SEN and Disabilities
- Children in Care
- Child protection and safeguarding
- Young People

In addition the DfE is also inviting EOIs for grant funding for a new Strategic Partner Programme.

http://www.ncvys.org.uk/blogs.php?act=view_topic&id=192

<http://www.education.gov.uk/aboutdfe/policiesandprocedures/procurement/a0037/current-contracts-advertised-by-the-department>

Road Safety Week 22 – 28 November 2010
(18/11/10)

Children across the UK are protesting that drivers go too fast in their community, putting young lives in danger. A national survey of 15,000 9-13 year-olds launched for Road Safety Week by the charity Brake and business insurance specialist QBE finds that 86% of children think drivers go too fast around their homes and schools.

The survey will be presented to Downing Street as part of the launch of Road Safety Week, which will also see protests at schools around the country with children and bereaved families appealing to drivers to slow down in their communities.

<http://www.brake.org.uk/rsw2010>

<http://www.roadsafetyweek.org/>

http://www.safenetwork.org.uk/news_and_events/news_articles/Pages/road_safety_week.aspx

Consultations

Review of Clinical Guideline (CG54) – Urinary tract infection in children (18/11/10)

A review is being undertaken to decide whether CG54 should be updated.

Registered stakeholders for this guideline are invited to comment on the provisional review decision via this website.

Individuals and organisations not registered as stakeholders are not able to comment, we recommend that you register as a stakeholder or you contact the registered stakeholder organisation that most closely represents your interests and pass on your comments.

Closing Date: 1st December 2010

<http://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/index.jsp?action=folder&o=51572>

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Consultation (22/11/10)

The Government is committed to raising children's achievement in reading, and has expressed the intention to establish a phonics screening check for children in Year 1. This will be a short, light-touch screening check designed to confirm that children have grasped the basics of phonic decoding and to identify those pupils who need extra help at an early stage, so that schools can provide support. The results of the screening check will provide valuable information to parents. This consultation seeks views on proposals around the purpose, structure and administration of the screening check.

Closing Date: 14th February 2011

<http://www.education.gov.uk/consultations/index.cfm?action=consultationDetails&consultationId=1741&external=no&menu=1>

Proposals for the Reform of Legal Aid in England and Wales (15/11/10)

This consultation seeks views on proposals for reform of legal aid in England and Wales. The proposals represent a wide-ranging programme of reform which aims to ensure that legal aid is targeted to those who need it most, for those cases in which legal advice or representation is justified.

Every aspect of legal aid has been considered for reform, but items of specific interest include:

- Legal aid will still be provided where people face intervention from the state in their family affairs which may result in their children being taken into care, and cases involving domestic violence or forced marriage.
- Some types of cases will no longer routinely qualify for legal aid funding, including private family law cases e.g. divorce and child contact, where long-drawn out and acrimonious cases going through the courts can often have a negative impact on the well-being of any children and not necessarily achieve the most effective result. Funding for cases where domestic violence is involved will, however, continue to receive funding. And funding will also continue to be provided for mediation as a better alternative to family disputes going to court in most cases.

Closing Date: 14th February 2011

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/news/newsrelease151110b.htm>

<http://www.justice.gov.uk/consultations/legal-aid-reform-151110.htm>

Conferences

Tackling Gangs and Serious Youth Violence

25th January 2011 London
£225 - £545 + VAT

This conference focuses on effective methods for the prevention, early intervention and rehabilitation of those involved in gangs and youth violence.

Topics to be covered include:

- Providing value-for-money interventions
- Tackling both ingrained and developing gang culture
- Engaging and educating young people to strengthen their resistance to gangs
- Effective and efficient routes to sustained social inclusion for those involved in group youth violence
- Bringing together all relevant agencies and the community to combat youth violence

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/police-criminal-justice/full-conference/article/tackling-gangs-and-serious-youth-violence-conference.html>

Children and Gangs

26th January 2011 London 2 – 5PM
£99 - £129 + VAT

This workshop will unveil exclusive findings from research with children and young people aged 10 to 14 years and frontline professionals to reveal why children join gangs.

Delegates will also learn how to develop key intervention strategies to help prevent future generations becoming gang members.

<http://www.haymarketevents.com/conference/Detail/523/children-gangs>

Inspection and Regulation in Early Years Conference

28th January 2011 London
£199 - £599 + VAT

This conference will bring together senior childcare and early years practitioners and managers from across the country to hear the latest policy direction from government.

Delegates will learn from best practice that is happening now enabling them to bring practical outcomes back to their workplace. Don't miss the opportunity to network with colleagues and make new and valuable contacts to help you improve your childcare and early years provision.

<http://www.neilstewartassociates.com/kd191/>

Children's Centres Next Steps

31st January 2011 London
£225 - £545 + VAT

This conference will provide the latest policy updates and explore methods to drive forward improvements in children's centre services. Joint strategy sessions from the DH and DfE will outline the key roles of children's centres in reaching the most vulnerable.

Sessions will cover the key issues including:

- Increasing engagement with hard to reach groups and disadvantaged families
- Combating poverty through targeted services
- Building partnerships with health services
- Supporting and working with families
- Making your children's centre sustainable for self funding

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/childrens-services/full-conference/article/childrens-centres-next-steps-conference.html>

Conferences (continued)

14-19 Child Protection - Practical and legal guidance for safeguarding teenagers

20th January 2011 London
£299 - £399 + VAT

Attend this conference to gain the latest practical and legal guidance to enable you to meet the unique challenges of safeguarding teenagers across a variety of settings, from classroom to work placement. A range of expert speakers will breakdown current policies to clearly and concisely explain the legal responsibilities placed on schools.


This conference will help you to:

- Correctly handle allegations against staff
- Build trust among students and know when and how to respond to disclosures of abuse
- Confront the challenges of safeguarding students of mixed age groups in FE colleges
- Recognise signs of self harm in teenagers and learn how to support those at risk
- Identify signs of forced marriage and confidently take action to safeguard young girls

<http://conferences.teachingexpertise.com/cpd/14-19CP2011/98/home/tex>

Protecting Children Update - Effectively safeguard children and young people in schools and colleges

2nd February 2011 London
£229 - £399 + VAT

Gain the most current legal guidance to ensure you are meeting your statutory obligations for safeguarding. Strengthen your relationships with multi-agencies through 

interpersonal knowledge and gain innovative strategies to make your partnerships more constructive.

This conference will help you to:

- Develop confidence in your workforce through comprehensive safeguarding training
- Understand the needs of social workers to make your referrals more efficient
- Effectively confront and manage cyberbullying throughout your school
- Manage and handle allegations against staff
- Identify signs of abuse among students and take appropriate action.

<http://conferences.teachingexpertise.com/cpd/pcu2011/106/home/tex>

Reducing the Scale of Young People Not in Employment, Education and Training

10th March 2011 London £225 - £495

This forum will consider the measures enacted to reduce the scale of young people not in employment, education or training; and will examine the commissioning practices for youth services; how education and training providers, LAs and the third sector can provide coherent support for young people; and what more can be done to help hard to reach groups

<http://www.insidegovernment.co.uk/children/neet-employment/>

This weekly newsletter collates information from various sources that is relevant to safeguarding children. Anyone working in this area who would like to be added to the circulation list can forward their details to – keithdriver@btinternet.com