

**Safeguarding Children Information Update
Conference Roundup: Updated 2nd December 2011**

"Facing the Unthinkable"

12th November 2011	Hampshire
19th November 2011	Newcastle
26th November 2011	Birmingham
3rd December 2011	London
18th February 2011	Hertfordshire
25th February 2011	Middlesex
10th March 2011	Kent
17th March 2011	Suffolk
24th March 2011	Derby
31st March 2011	Devon
21st April 2011	Dorset
28th April 2011	Hampshire
12th May 2011	Essex
19th May 2011	Peterborough
26th May 2011	Bristol
7th July 2011	London
6th October 2011	Edinburgh

£19.50 (includes £5 notebook)

The seminar is designed to equip trustees, leaders and those who work with children and vulnerable adults within churches and organisations. It covers areas including:

- Understanding the nature of abuse
- Definitions and how to recognise signs and symptoms of abuse
- Sex offenders and grooming
- Helping a child or adult talk about abuse
- Working with statutory agencies, including Social Services, Police, the ISA, LA Designated Office and the Charity Commission
- Safeguarding policy issues
- Managing sexual offenders
- Safe recruitment and supervision of workers
- Safe practice in working with children
- Helping children to develop self-protection skills

<http://www.ccpas.co.uk/Training/FtU.html>

Translating Munro - Meeting the challenges raised by the Munro Review

21 st November 2011	Liverpool
7 th December 2011	Leicester
7 th February 2012	London

Free

These events will make clear the challenges for training and workforce development and provide real solutions.

You will have the opportunity to:

- hear about the key workforce issues arising from the Munro review and the Government's response to this
- exchange knowledge and approaches in meeting the workforce development challenges in the current climate
- be provided with the latest tools and solutions to overcome your work-based challenges
- sample NSPCC CPC services that could assist in meeting workforce needs

http://www.nspcc.org.uk/Inform/newsandevents/cpconferences/translating-munro_wda84777.html

Tackling Honour Based Violence and Forced Marriage Conference

5th December 2011 London £225 - £545 + VAT

Following the launch of the Govt's action plan in March, *Call to End Violence against Women and Girls*, there is a renewed focus on prevention and early intervention, effective training programmes and promoting information sharing amongst local agencies. This event will be a vital opportunity for practitioners from across the public sector to share learning on joining-up services to combat issues of domestic abuse and improve child protection, safeguarding adults and human rights.

Issues to be addressed at this conference include:

- Progress made since the implementation of the Forced Marriage Act (2007) and ACPO's Strategy on Honour Based Violence and Forced Marriage
- Updates on the *No Recourse to Public Funds* protocols
- Working in partnership to ensure confidentiality and appropriate referrals to safeguard victims
- Developing community engagement strategies and outreach programmes to get to the hardest-to-reach

Benefits of Attending

- Hear directly from the Forced Marriage Unit about their plans to revise the statutory guidance which all public agencies must have in place to safeguard children and vulnerable adults
- Receive expert legal guidance on civil court procedures from one of the most experienced solicitors in this field
- Gain insight into ACPO's strategy for improving investigation and evidence gathering techniques to bring perpetrators to justice
- Learn from community cohesion experts who provide tailored resettlement services to identify pathways back into the community
- Take away pioneering ways of engaging with schools in your area to raise awareness and scope the prevalence of emerging issues
- Consider new strategies which encourage communities to take responsibility and challenge HBV and FM

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/health-social-care/full-conference/article/tackling-honour-based-violence-and-forced-marriage-1.html>

London Safeguarding Children Board conference

5th December 2011 QEII conference centre.

Further details of this event will be available online shortly.

Confirmed speakers for this event include Anne Marie Carrie, Chief Executive at Barnardo's, and Jo Webber, Deputy Policy Director and Children's Policy Lead for the NHS Confederation.

We have also invited the Children's Minister, Tim Loughton MP, to update delegates on the coalition's future plans for safeguarding children following the Munro Review.

Workshops will highlight some examples of the innovative multi-agency work already underway in London.

The conference will follow by a ceremony for the inaugural London Safeguarding Children Award, the first ever multi-agency award for best practice in the capital every day.

<http://www.londonscb.gov.uk/>

PIAT Symposium 2011 - Supporting inter-agency training in turbulent times

5-6 December 2011 Leicester £200 - £285

At this symposium you will have the opportunity to:

- appreciate the impact of the current child protection context on inter-agency training
- explore how inter-agency training can be encouraged in the current climate
- identify networks supportive of inter-agency training and trainers
- share innovative ideas for the development and delivery of inter-agency child protection training

http://www.nspcc.org.uk/Inform/newsandevents/cpconferences/piat2011_wda85136.html

Radically Improving the Adoption System: Meeting the Needs of Children and Families

6th December 2011 London £225 + VAT

The Government wants to overhaul the care and adoption system and believes that changes to the family justice system; publication of adoption performance tables; and publication of the Adopters' Charter will reduce the time taken to adopt.

Key issues to be addressed include:

- Examining the new 'Adopters' Charter'
- Reform of the family justice system
- Will the publication of transparent data challenge LAs to do better?
- Strategies to reduce delays in the system
- Will intervention in poorly performing LAs be effective?
- What the new Ofsted inspection framework for adoption services look like
- Overhauling the assessment process for potential adopters
- Matching the hardest to place: Over 5s, BME children & those with disabilities
- Balancing the needs of looked after children and the wishes of their parents
- The impact on outcomes of early adoption
- The financial implications of adoption: the cost of keeping a child in care
- The training of social workers in dealing with families wishing to adopt

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/home/event-detail/newsarticle/radically-improving-the-adoption-system-meeting-the-needs-of-children-and-families/>

FSID NW Regional Conference - When A Child Dies Unexpectedly
Warrington 8th December 2011

Topics that will be covered in this conference include:

- Establishment of Child Death Database in Cheshire?
- Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy (SUDEP): is it an entity?
- Inquest process and what is expected from health care professionals?
- Limitation of pathology examination: what questions should we be asking?
- Should we be undertaking genetic investigations in SUDI?
- Non-invasive autopsy: role of post-mortem radiology?
- Toxicological examination: limitation and interpretation of the results

<http://fsid.org.uk/document.doc?id=224>

<http://fsid.org.uk/page.aspx?pid=191>

Training designed to help Directors of Children's Services deliver recommendations from the Munro review has been announced.

16 th January 2012	London
25 th January 2012	Bristol
1 st February 2012	Birmingham
8 th February 2012	Leeds
21 st February 2012	London

The training days are designed to support directors with the implementation of recommendations from the Munro Review of Child Protection. They will focus specifically on:

- LAs should review and redesign the way child and family social work is delivered (recommendation 13).
- LAs should designate a Principal Child and Family Social Worker (recommendation 14).

A detailed agenda for the training will be sent to attendees nearer the time but places can be reserved by visiting

<http://www.cwdcouncil.org.uk/social-work/swif/munro-recommendations>

CWDC's package of support for Munro also includes £8.5m funding which is being delivered to all LAs on behalf of the DfE.

http://www.cwdcouncil.org.uk/news/6535_munro-training-dates-announced

The Youth Offer - The future role of councils in supporting young people

17 th January 2012	London	Free
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LAs remain at the heart of communities, and are the lead body in developing the local offer for young people. The youth sector is facing unprecedented challenges, budget cuts, the post-riot negative views of young people and the new coalition government's priorities mean that services are having to adapt.

New models of commissioning and delivery are likely to necessitate new partnerships and ways of working. Budget reductions will mean that decisions will have to be made about 'universal' services for young people. This will lead to a very different role for local authorities, shifting towards strategic commissioning and away from direct provision.

This FREE conference is designed for lead members of Children's Services and senior managers in LAs. It will provide an opportunity for delegates to:

- learn about the NYA's 'Routes to Success' package of support to local councils, delivered on behalf of the LGA
- influence and shape our work for 2011-12
- hear from key figures in the sector

<http://www.lga.gov.uk/lga/events/display-event.do?id=20282718>

Not in Education, Employment or Training

24th January 2012 London

£225 - £545 + VAT

With the NEET population in England at nearly 1m, it is vital to focus valuable resources on improving early intervention programmes for those at-risk and creating sustainable employment and training opportunities to prevent older NEETs being left behind.

This event will provide expertise on:

- Developing your programmes to those most at-risk
- Effective inter-agency working
- Increasing work experience opportunities and apprenticeships

Benefits of Attending

- Hear from the DfE on data on participation and an update on evolving policy
- Take away ideas on developing affordable schemes to encourage a proactive approach to finding training and employment options
- Discover how to collect and record data to develop a real understanding of why young people become NEET and identify early risk factors
- Learn from the experiences of a local area involved in all 3 phases of the Raising the Participation Age trials
- Examine the role of the private sector in developing apprenticeship programmes and preparing young people for long-term employment through vocational training
- Understand how schools can equip young people with the necessary skills to ensure they are responsive to the changing economic environment

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/employment-skills/full-conference/article/not-in-education-employment-or-training-conference.html>

Payment by Results in NEET Provision

25th January 2012 London

£225 - £445 + VAT

With a tough economic climate and public service spending cuts, it is critical that money is being spent in the right places to deliver the best results.

This half-day event provides guidance on implementing payment by results models and social impact bonds for youth services. Explore the design and delivery of these new financial incentive models and their impact on reducing NEETs.

Benefits of Attending

- Hear from the DWP about rewarding performance against outcomes specified in contracts
- Understand the benefits and challenges posed by the payment by results model at the centre of the Work Programme
- Learn from a local area working with partner agencies to analyse the feasibility of Social Impact Bonds

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/employment-skills/full-conference/article/payment-by-results-in-neet-provision.html>

Dyadic developmental psychotherapy – Level 1 Presented by Dan Hughes PhD

6th February 2012 Birmingham

£185 - £205 + VAT

£750 - £900 + VAT Conf + Training

This one-day conference will present principles and interventions that are based on trauma and attachment theory and research in providing treatment and care for foster and adopted children and youth who manifest trauma and attachment problems.

Following the conference, it is possible to continue for 3 days interactive training. Professionals will understand and be able to begin to implement the core attachment-focused principles and interventions developed for the treatment and daily care of foster and adopted children and youth.

<http://www.baaf.org.uk/training/allevts/2012-02-06t000000>

Improving Behaviour & Discipline in Schools: The Key to Successful Education

9th February 2011 London

29th February 2011 Manchester

£225 + VAT

The Govt has announced a trial to give responsibility to headteachers to ensure excluded pupils receive a decent education. The Education Bill will give teachers greater powers to search pupils, confiscate property and hold no-notice detentions. It will also afford teachers greater protection against false allegations.

Charlie Taylor, Govt Adviser has also issued a simple checklist of what schools can do to instil good behaviour and improve discipline.

Key issues to be discussed include:

- Developing individual school policies – working with parents & governors
- Role of the senior leadership team in schools to improve behaviour
- New slimmed down guidance: how effective will it be?
- Examining the powers available and protection for teaching staff
- Taking action to deal with poor teaching staff who fail to follow behaviour policy
- The measures in the Education Bill – examining impact & effectiveness
- Permanent exclusions – new powers for Heads to choose alternative provision
- Exclusion of children who may have SEN
- Examining the new “behaviour checklist” – developing school wide consistency
- Early intervention strategies to improve behaviour and avoid exclusions
- Strategies to tackle the causes of behavioural issues including bullying and attendance

<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/home/event-detail/newsarticle/improving-behaviour-discipline-in-schools-the-key-to-successful-education-london/>
<http://www.westminster-briefing.com/home/event-detail/newsarticle/improving-behaviour-discipline-in-schools-the-key-to-successful-education-manchester/>

Inspecting children's services: implementing the new framework

23rd February 2012 London

£225 - £545 + VAT

All inspections of child protection services will be unannounced, with more focus on case tracking and direct observation at each stage from needing help to receiving it. At this conference you will hear about implications arising from the new framework and the repercussions for all safeguarding and children's services stakeholders.

Benefits of Attending:

- Hear from Ofsted about the new inspection framework for early intervention, child protection services and children in care
- Prepare for an unannounced inspection
- Develop strategies to adopt a 'team around the child' at each stage of the child's journey from needing to receiving help
- Hear how well-performing and award winning LAs have structured their workforce and services to improve outcomes for children and their families
- Case studies on key target groups
- How to use media and IT systems to consult and share information

http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/public-sector-conferences/childrens-services/full-conference/article/inspecting-childrens-services-conference.html?code=EMMK&utm_source=http%3a%2f%2femail.capitaconference.co.uk%2fcapitaconferenceslz%2f&utm_medium

Maintaining Outstanding Safeguarding Provision

29th February 2012 London

£229 - £429 + VAT

The new Ofsted inspection framework is bringing radical changes to the way your safeguarding procedures will be judged. From January 2012 safeguarding will no longer be a limiting judgement but it will fall under both the Leadership & Management and Behaviour & Safety judgements. The new framework comes on the heels of a raft of safeguarding guidance that was updated and released over the summer and at a time when many are experiencing diminishing support from the local authority.

This conference will help Designated Child Protection Officers find out how safeguarding will be judged under the Leadership & Management and Behaviour & Safety judgements, and how to maintain high quality safeguarding provision.

Inspectors will also be heavily scrutinising bullying and students' abilities to assess and manage risk. Don't miss this opportunity to gain practical strategies to prepare students to protect themselves from bullying and other forms of harm.

<http://www.optimus-education.com/shared/order/11K-WL-EPS372-Order.html>

Staying Safe — Emerging Themes

15th March 2012 Cheshire £100 - £125

Issues to be discussed at this conference include:

- Young People's Voices
 - Teenage Representatives from Unipol (UNICEF) & Youth Parliament
- Risk Assessment and Professional Judgements for Children Living in Households where Domestic Violence is a Factor
 - Laura Richards
- Working to Safeguard Children in a Multi - Agency Context
 - Professor Eileen Munro
- Working with Chaotic and Dysfunctional Families
 - Professor Jan Horwarth: Sheffield University
- Supervision of Designated Staff in Schools
 - Raminder Aujla and Roy T Woollard, FRSA, Partner, former Head Teacher, Head of Children's Department, Berrymans Lace Mawer Solicitors, Leeds

Keynote speaker: Sir Roger Singleton

The Conference will be of interest to:

- Those responsible for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of C&YP
- Practitioners who work with C&YP in both statutory and non-statutory settings
- Managers and Policy makers responsible for delivery of special/universal services
- Governors
- Safeguarding Children Trainers
- CP Officers in Early Years, FE, Private, Independent and Voluntary Settings

Closing Date for Applications: 17th February 2012

<http://www.cape.org.uk/events.aspx>

Shaping the global health agenda - women, children and society

27th – 28th March 2012 London

This conference highlights the unacceptable inequality focussing on issues pertaining to women and children. It debates and discusses challenging problems and seeks to understand how international aid can be directed in the most effective way.

Objectives:

- Understand societal inequalities which restrict access to health care by women and children.
- Explore the causes of domestic violence against women and children
- Question the efficacy of overseas aid and understand where aid is most effective.
- Examine the cultural differences which impact upon healthcare for women and children, particularly during pregnancy.
- Understand the role of the human rights in promoting stability in health and in society
- Learn about the experience of Global Partnership Development and priorities in the allocation of the aid budget.

<http://www.rsm.ac.uk/academ/evc07.php>

BASPCAN 8th National Congress

'Keeping Children Safe in an Uncertain World'

15th-18th April 2012 Belfast

Attendance: Full £250 - £495; Daily £139 - £185; Half day £99 - £140

BASPCAN has held a triennial Congress since 1991, providing an opportunity for professionals from a range of disciplines from across the UK and internationally to share the latest findings from research and to debate how families may be supported and children kept safe.

Congress themes

- Innovations and Interventions
- Neglect and Emotional Abuse
- Children and Young People Living with Family or Community Violence
- Sexual Abuse and Exploitation
- Supporting Staff and Developing the Response to Hard-to-Engage Groups
- Young People in Transition

Abstracts are invited from all those involved in the field of child protection and child welfare at any level:

- Social Work Practitioners and Managers
- Health and Nursing Professionals
- Legal Professionals
- Police and Probation Agencies
- Psychologists
- Therapists
- Academics
- Educationalists and Early Years Workers
- Voluntary Organisations

Closing date: 12th August 2011

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/congress2012.php>

5th National Safe and Sound Conference

15th May 2012 London

£175 - £225 + VAT

The theme for the day will be "Practical and Effective Responses to Child Sexual Exploitation" and will address the recommendations of the new National Action Plan.

Tim Loughton, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Children and Families, will give a keynote address followed by a question and answer session. Speakers will focus on practical interventions that help young people, parents and carers, and professionals to both prevent and stop this type of sexual abuse. We will also explore proven strategies for tackling the perpetrators, including deterrence, investigation, disruption and prosecution.

<http://www.justwhistle.org.uk/>

Vulnerable Children- Recognition and Protection

17th May 2012 Manchester

£130 – £195

Although safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, this conference will be particularly relevant for police officers, social workers, health professionals, LSCB's staff, workers in youth justice and probation officers, public protection team members and forensic teams.

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/events-national.php>

[http://www.baspcan.org.uk/files/May%2017%202012%20booking%20form%20\(web%20version\)%20plus%20programme.doc](http://www.baspcan.org.uk/files/May%2017%202012%20booking%20form%20(web%20version)%20plus%20programme.doc)

Disorganised Attachment and Child Protection: New Ways of Assessing Risk and Helping Children and Families

9th July 2012 York

£130 - £195

This conference will be particularly relevant to practitioners at all levels including their supervisors and managers in all key agencies and organisations working in the safeguarding children arena.

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/events-national.php>

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/files/Web%20version%20July%202012%20York%20Flyer.doc>