

Keeping Connected - The CPCScotland Weekly Bulletin

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Issued to support Child Protection Committees and partners with up to date information on child protection issues.

Welcome to Issue 62 of Keeping Connected.

There are two important announcements in this week's Keeping Connected.

Firstly I am delighted to let you know that CPCScotland launched its latest public awareness campaign 'For Kids Sake...' today. Briefing packs were circulated to all CPCScotland members last week with suggested social media content and a press release which can be amended and circulated locally. I would urge you all to support the campaign by liking and sharing our social media posts and linking to the Child Protection Scotland campaign webpage. If you would like a copy of the briefing pack please contact Susan Mitchell at cpcscotland-liaison@strath.ac.uk

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CPCScotland 'For Kids' Sake' Campaign Launches Today 1

In this new 7 week For Kids' Sake... campaign, Child Protection Committees Scotland are asking everyone to look and listen carefully for signs that all is not well for a child, and pay full attention if a child or young person's behaviour has changed. Designed specifically to coincide with the school holidays, the campaign uses a series of vivid, summery images combined with direct "instruction" phrases encouraging action. The campaign not only asks family

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2 Framework for Risk Assessment Management and Evaluation (FRAME) with children aged 12-17 & Care & Risk Management (CARM)

This update of the 2014 guidance outlines the standards and operational requirements for risk practice in circumstances where a child's behaviour may pose an imminent risk of serious harm or has caused serious harm.

This framework recognises that in all circumstances where aspects of a child's behaviour has or may pose a risk of serious harm to others, initial consideration as to whether child protection actions are required is critical. Consideration should be given to the need to protect any child harmed, as well as to whether the child who has caused the harm is in need of protection, as resea

Guidance, Resources and Information

3 Modern slavery and child trafficking

The Home Office has published guidance for a pilot programme that will test alternative models of decision making for child victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. The ten pilot programmes in England, Wales and Scotland start in June 2021 and will run for 12 months. Separate guidance for the pilot site of Glasgow City Council is due to be published in recognition that Scotland operates with devolved legislation and has a different statutory framework regarding child welfare, protection and human trafficking.

Piloting devolving decision making for child victims of modern slavery - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

4 ACEs, Distance and S(w)-7rraoirng

practice guidance for 2021 aimed at practitioners and managers who work with children and young people who offend or who are at risk of offending:

<u>CYCJ updates Scotland's youth justice practice guidance for 2021 - Children's and Young People's Centre for Justice</u>

6 The Case for Change

England's independent review of children's social care has launched its first report, 'The Case for Change', which identifies the biggest perceived challenges in social care, including too much of a focus on investigating families in crisis instead of providing early support – a summary of the report for young people has also been published:

case-for-change.pdf (independent-review.uk)

case-for-change-young-people.pdf (independent-review.uk)

Training, Learning Events and Resources

7 Learning the lessons from Punishing Abuse: Why professional curiosity and knowing a child well matters – Webinar

This free webinar from Care Knowledge takes place on 30th June at 10am. It provides an opportunity to hear Dr Alex Chard discuss his recently published and highly impactful report, Punishing Abuse, with the Youth Custody Service's Head of Safeguarding, Wendy Tomlinson, who has a longstanding background at a senior management level in children's services. The focus of the webinar will be on drawing out lessons for frontline professionals working in children's services – paying specific attention to the importance of professional curiosity, seeing the

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10 Safeguarding in local communities

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17 Restraint and seclusion

The British Association of Social Work has released a podcast discussing the restraint and seclusion of children and young people with additional needs in educational settings. The podcast explores plans to introduce new guidance in Northern Ireland to prevent the use of restrictive practices and considers if experiences from elsewhere in the UK can inform these plans.

Ending Restraint and Seclusion - Podcast - Ann Craft Trust

Please let us know what you think about the bulletin and provide information for inclusion in future editions. Contact Alan Small or Susan Mitchell at cpcscotland-liaison@strath.ac.uk.

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