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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Hub for Reviewing and Learning from the Deaths of Children and Young People

New arrangements for reviewing and learning from the deaths of children and young people came into force on 1 October 2017. With the establishment of the National Hub, reviews should be conducted on the deaths of all live born children up to the date of their 18th birthday, or 26th birthday for care leavers who are in receipt of aftercare or continuing care at the time of their death.

These new arrangements, together with the recent introduction of national guidance for child protection committees undertaking learning reviews, will require some changes to the ways in which local authorities review the deaths of looked after children and young people experiencing car20 Tw 40.2 (t)1.godrilbe ce sh k (o)-5hearp.9 (g c)1

Scottish Journal of Residential Child Care (SJRCC)

The latest issue of the Scottish Journal of Residential Child Care (SJRCC) was published on 30th September to coincide with the SIRCC conference – ‘SIRCC 2021 Online’. The theme of this year’s conference was ‘The Workforce’ – highlighting the experiences, challenges, and opportunities of those working in residential child care; and the issue includes the transcript of the 2021 Kilbrandon Lecture on ‘Labours of Love: The Crisis of Care’, which specifically considered aspects of the complex task of providing quality care:

[Scottish Journal of Residential Child Care Vol 20 No2 \(celcis.org\)](http://celcis.org)

Scottish Institute for Residential Childcare Conference 2021 - Resources

SIRCC 2021 Online have a range of resources including video inputs and blog post updates by the Scottish Physical Restraint Action Group (SPRAG) and ‘Meet the author’ videos for the Scottish Journal of Residential Child Care (SJ(es)1.8 (i (e)-6.1 ()§)-0.9 (d

particularly helpful for practitioners working directly with and/or anyone caring for children and young people. This module will help you to:

- x recognise the impact of trauma in children and young people;
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For Children, Young People, Families and Communities

NSPCC & Children 1st Joint Campaign

A group of Scottish governing sporting bodies has backed a joint NSPCC and Children 1st campaign which is raising awareness of where parents can turn if they have concerns about their child's sports club. Sporting bodies are backing Parents in Sport Week (4-10 October 2021) – an annual campaign run by the NSPCC's Child Protection in Sport Unit (CPSU) and Children 1st, aiming to equip every parent with the safeguarding knowledge they need. Parents can access an online hub that provides information and advice.

[Parents' hub for keeping children safe in sport | CPSU \(thecpsu.org.uk\)](#)

Research and Evidence Based Reports

Child Maltreatment and Impact Research

New research into child maltreatment, led by the University of Glasgow, has found that children who have been maltreated are still at risk of developing mental health disorders up to 70 years after the abuse happened.

[Child maltreatment and incident mental disorders in middle and older ages: a retrospective UK Biobank cohort study - The Lancet Regional Health – Europe](#)

Impact of Childminding on Family Outcomes

The Scottish Government has published the key findings of a qualitative research study designed to

Child Death Review Article

To coincide with the launch of the new Child Death Review System, Healthcare Improvement Scotland has published an article by Dr Alison Rennie explaining Healthcare Improvement Scotland's and the Care Inspectorate's new practice of collecting national data on the deaths of every single child in Scotland to age 18, or 26 if receiving continuing care or aftercare, since 1 October 2021.

[Learning from the death of every child – Dr Alison Rennie | Healthcare Improvement Scotland Blog](#)

Contextual Safeguarding

In this blog post Dr Julie Harris and Professor Carlene Firmin talk about the next steps for Contextual Safeguarding as the programme begins to be delivered across two sites - the Safer Young Lives Research Centre and Durham University.

[The next steps for Contextual Safeguarding \(csnetwork.org.uk\)](https://csnetwork.org.uk)

Supreme Court UNCRC Announcement

The UK Supreme Court has announced that it will hand down its judgement on Wednesday, 6 October, on whether certain provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) (Incorporation) (Scotland) Bill are outside the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament.