



Monthly News Bulletin

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GETTING IT RIGHT FOR EVERY CHILD

New Child's Plan, Process and Pathway. Work is underway to put all the GIRFEC guidance on the GIRFEC website so that the new Moray Child's Plan and associated paperwork will be live to use from 16th August. This work will be ongoing over the coming months as the final guidance is published and any guidance and process refreshed to reflect this.

The [Moray GIRFEC website](#) will be updated and information will come out through the news bulletin but staff may also wish to refer to the [national GIRFEC website](#) for the latest information.

Participation - Please see link for a recent resource released via [Children & Young People's Commissioner Scotland](#) relating to participation. This resource will be of benefit to anyone who works directly and indirectly with children and young people. It reinforces the values and principles of GIRFEC and the underpinning of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Briefing note This briefing note will help practitioner's understand and explain changes to the way Moray undertakes the Child Planning Process that will replace LIAP. If you are a Lead Professional/Named person it helps explain what you should do next in replacing existing Child's Plans. Please note that this is for practitioner's use only and should not be handed out to parent/carers/children and young people.

The [knowledge hub](#) has a resource for GIRFEC developed by the Scottish Government that is helpful for leaflets on Wellbeing, Child Plans etc. as well as standard statements on Getting It Right topics.

Duty Named Person If you need to contact the Duty Named Person in Education over the summer holiday period please contact the Business Support Team, 01343 563374, and ask to speak to the Duty Named Person.

ESO GIRFEC - Jenny Price, jenny.price@moray.gov.uk, will take up the post wef 16 August 2016.

Opportunities for All Officer - Nina Crocombe, Nina.Crocombe@moray.gov.uk, will take up the post wef 11 July 2016. She will be the Named Person for 16+ who have left school.

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Case Conference Procedure 2016 – Moray Child Protection Case Conference Procedure is now live having been refreshed and updated. The CPCC procedure provides clarity on the roles and responsibilities of those attending including the Chair. It also contains sections on including children and families, closed sessions and exclusions, dispute resolution, decision making, and the administration of CPCCs including the minutes and timescales.

CSE Practitioner Sheet – The Practitioner Information Sheet on Child Sexual Exploitation has also been updated for 2016. This contains key messages and guidance for staff on the potential indicators of CSE, considerations for parents/carers and the importance of early intervention.

THE EARLY YEARS

Early Years Strategy – Official launch will take place on Friday 9th September. It will be held at Moray College between 9:00am and 1:00pm.

Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Drop-in Friday 9th September. It will be held at Moray College between 9:00am and 1:00pm. More details of both events to follow.

Bookbug Session Leader Training will take place on Thursday 15th September at Winchester House, 10:00am to 4:00pm. Please contact Lydia Simpson at Action for Children on 01343 549557 to book your place.

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**Moray Learning & Development Group**

The ML&DG are responsible for developing and delivering a multi-agency Child Protection (CP) and GIRFEC training calendar for ALL staff working with children and young people across Moray. All courses are FREE.

Courses in August :

- Child Trafficking / Honour Based Violence / Forced Marriage / Female Genital Mutilation – 30 August 2016
- Child Sexual Exploitations – 31 August 2016

New course :

- Solution Oriented Meetings

Information on all courses can be found [here](#).

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PARTNERSHIP HUB

MFR Cash for Kids - [information leaflet](#) and grant [application form](#). This is for individuals AND organisations wishing to apply for a grant from MFR Cash for Kids. The Board also considers crisis applications which can be made at any time and are responded to within 48 hours.

Quarriers Carer Support Service have a team of Support Workers linked to Associated School Groups, dedicated to ensuring young people under 16 impacted by a caring role are not taking on inappropriate caring activity, have the same opportunities as their peers and are able to be young people first and foremost. They offer 1:1 support, peer support, leisure and skills development activities, information, signposting, short break funding and much more, to reduce the impact of caring on the young person. They are also piloting a **Teen Adventure Project**, along with Outfit Moray, for 12-15 year olds with additional needs who attend Elgin High. For more information, or to arrange a referral, contact us on 01343 556031 or by email at carersmoray@quarriers.org.uk.

Keeping you up-to-date with minutes of meetings :
[Child Protection Committee](#)

For more information please see [Partnership Hub Priorities](#). If underlined and [blue](#), this is an electronic link to the information