



# Monthly News Bulletin

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## GETTING IT RIGHT FOR EVERY CHILD

**Additional Resource Allocation Group** - The updated [process](#) and [request form](#) is now live and the only form that will be accepted by ARAG from 01 April 2017 and replaces the PSG and ARMG Request Forms.

**Child's Plan Update** – Please forward any comments on the child's plan format based on your experiences of using it. All comments will be considered as part of the review of the format.

### **Named Person Surgery Dates –**

ASG	Date	Contact
Buckie	01/03/2017 29/03/2017	<a href="mailto:Cathy.Collins@moray.gov.uk">Cathy.Collins@moray.gov.uk</a>
Keith	06/03/2017 31/03/2017	
Elgin High	27/03/2017	<a href="mailto:Lynda.Corbett@moray.gov.uk">Lynda.Corbett@moray.gov.uk</a>
Elgin Academy	-	
Lossie	21/03/2017	<a href="mailto:Yvonne.Curry@moray.gov.uk">Yvonne.Curry@moray.gov.uk</a>
Forres	24/03/2017	
Milne's	-	<a href="mailto:Debi.Ingram@moray.gov.uk">Debi.Ingram@moray.gov.uk</a>
Speyside	29/03/2017	

## THE EARLY YEARS

**Early Years Strategy Delivery Plan** – Invite to those with an interest in the Early Years. The delivery plan is to be revamped at a session on the 16<sup>th</sup> March, Mosstodloch Scout Hall, 9.30-2.30pm. If you would like to attend please contact [Karen.donaldson@moray.gov.uk](mailto:Karen.donaldson@moray.gov.uk)

Early Years Conference – Save the date – 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017. Details to follow.

## Moray Learning & Development Group

Calendar for 2017 is under development and will be based on the recently completed training needs assessment and the outcome of the inspection/ Children's Services Plan.

## Partnership Hub

[Tom Toms & Tooters](#) – workshops available at Elgin Academy.

[YOU CHOOSE](#) – Public decision making events held throughout Moray.

[Digital Toolkit](#) – For parents, carers, educators and community groups

[Moray Wellbeing Hub](#) – Help Others, Help Yourself. Drop-in events throughout Moray in March.

[Previous issues](#)

## CHILD PROTECTION

### **For the Attention of all Social Work Staff in Moray**

An audit of the Interagency Referral Discussion (IRD) process is to take place over the next few weeks. Any issues which are highlighted as a result of the audit will be taken into account and the process amended accordingly.

Until then, **all staff must follow the current process.**  
<http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file109664.pdf>

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## Received from Police Scotland

The dedicated number for the Police IRD Desk is to arrange IRDs.

Any incidents involving crime, or likely to involve crime, should be reported to Police using the telephone number 101 in the first instance.

The Police single point of contact for Inter Agency Referral Discussion (also known as Initial Referral Discussions) (IRD) is the Police IRD Desk, which is based at Bucksburn Police Office and comes under the wing of the Public Protection Unit (PPU). The Desk is staffed by experienced DSs who provide a consistent approach to the Police involvement in IRDs.

The Police IRD Desk is staffed

**Monday to Friday 7am to 5pm, and 7am to 3pm at the weekends.**

The Police Officers who will carry out IRDs out with these hours are as follows –

**Monday to Friday 5pm to 10pm** - Duty PPU Detective Sergeant

**Monday to Friday 10pm to 7am, and Saturday/Sunday 3pm to 7am** - Suitably experienced supervisor nominated by the Duty Inspector (City or Landward)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7am - 5pm	IRD Desk DS	IRD Desk DS	IRD Desk DS	IRD Desk DS	IRD Desk DS
5pm - 10pm	PPU DS	PPU DS	PPU DS	PPU DS	PPU DS
10pm - 7am	CPT PS	CPT PS	CPT PS	CPT PS	CPT PS
	Saturday	Sunday			
7am - 3pm	IRD Desk DS	IRD Desk DS			
3pm - 7am	CPT PS	CPT PS			

CPT PS = Community Policing Team Police Sergeant (Divisional Sergeant)

Contact can be made with the Police IRD Desk on telephone number **01224 306918**. If for any reason there is no response at this number, please try again or revert to Police Scotland's **101** number and ask to be transferred to the Police IRD Desk, the PPU Detective Sergeant, or the Duty Inspector, whichever is most appropriate given the above times.

The PPU DSs and the CPT PSs should initially be contacted on **101**.

It is recognised that overnight, IRDs may only deal with immediate risk and further discussion may need to be progressed the following morning. Information can be sent to the Police IRD Desk email address, which is [IRDNortheast@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:IRDNortheast@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

A telephone conference line has been set up to facilitate IRDs. The telephone number and PIN will be notified by the Police IRD Desk when required.