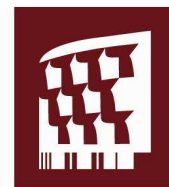


## Scotland Policy Conferences Keynote Seminar

### Improving provision for children in care and care leavers: multi-agency working, developing the workforce and support for those leaving care

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

Venue: Royal Society of Edinburgh, 22-26 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2PQ



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| 8.30 - 9.00   | Registration and coffee   |
| 9.00 - 9.05   | <b><u>Chair's opening remarks</u></b><br><b>Jeremy Balfour MSP</b> , Member, Cross-Party Group on Children and Young People   |
| 9.05 - 9.30   | <b><u>Update from the Independent Care Review</u></b><br><b>Jimmy Paul</b> , Co-Chair of Workforce, Journey Group, Independent Care Review<br><b>Sue Brookes</b> , Co-Chair of Workforce, Journey Group, Independent Care Review<br>Questions and comments from the floor   |
| 9.30 - 10.20  | <b><u>Improving provision for children in care: enhancing multi-agency collaboration, learning from best practice, and the key Review agendas of Love, Rights and Stigma</u></b><br><b>Sarah Jane Linton</b> , Board Member, Who Cares? Scotland<br><b>Sara Lurie</b> , Director, The Fostering Network in Scotland<br><b>Mairi Graham</b> , Acting Headteacher, Middlefield School, Glasgow<br><b>Stephen McLeod</b> , Head of Specialist Children's Services, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde<br><b>Liam Purdie</b> , Head of Children and Justice Services and Chief Social Work Officer, South Lanarkshire Council<br>Questions and comments from the floor   |
| 10.20 - 10.25 | <b><u>Chair's closing remarks</u></b><br><b>Jeremy Balfour MSP</b> , Member, Cross-Party Group on Children and Young People   |
| 10.25 - 11.00 | Coffee  |
| 11.00 - 11.05 | <b><u>Chair's opening remarks</u></b><br><b>Gillian Martin MSP</b> , Member, Cross-Party Group on Prevention and Healing of Adverse Childhood Experiences   |
| 11.05 - 11.35 | <b><u>Priorities for developing the workforce: training, recruitment and diversity</u></b><br><b>Deirdre Fitzpatrick</b> , Interim Head of Social Work, Scotland, The Open University<br><b>SallyAnn Kelly</b> , Chief Executive, Aberlour Child Care Trust<br><b>Karen Ralston</b> , Head of Children's Services, Highland Council<br>Questions and comments from the floor  |
| 11.35 - 11.45 | <b><u>Changing approaches towards care leavers</u></b><br><b>Kenny McGhee</b> , Throughcare and Aftercare Consultant, CELCIS  |
| 11.45 - 12.30 | <b><u>Supporting care leavers, establishing greater support into further and higher education, expanding effective pathways into employment, and learning from those who have experienced care</u></b><br><b>Claire O'Hara</b> , Creative and Talent Development Manager, MCR Pathways<br><b>Rachel Hyslop</b> , School Connect Manager and Named Contact for Care Experienced Students, Glasgow Caledonian University<br><b>Rhona Pollock</b> , Legal Consultant, Adoption and Fostering Alliance Scotland<br><b>Ryan McCuaig</b> , Board Member, Who Cares? Scotland and Care-Experienced Activist<br>Questions and comments from the floor with <b>Kenny McGhee</b> , Throughcare and Aftercare Consultant, CELCIS |
| 12.30 - 12.55 | <b><u>Policy priorities for the children in care system in Scotland</u></b><br><b>Maree Todd MSP</b> , Minister for Children and Young People<br>Questions and comments from the floor  |
| 12.55 - 13.00 | <b><u>Chair's and Scotland Policy Conferences closing remarks</u></b><br><b>Gillian Martin MSP</b> , Member, Cross-Party Group on Prevention and Healing of Adverse Childhood Experiences<br><b>Sean Cudmore</b> , Deputy Editor, Scotland Policy Conferences   |