

Four-nation seminar

Child Protection Across the UK:

Emerging themes in the context of cuts in public spending and changing political priorities

DATE: 24 April 2012, 10.00am – 3.30pm

VENUE: Surgeon's Hall, Nicolson Street, Edinburgh, EH8 9DW

Programme

10.00 **REGISTRATION** Coffee available

10.20 SEMINAR OPENING

10.20 **WELCOME** **INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME**
Pamela Munn, Emeritus Professor of Curriculum Research,
The University of Edinburgh

10.30 **OVERVIEW** **KEY INSIGHTS FROM THE LAST SEMINAR (November 2011)**
Anne Stafford, Director, The University of Edinburgh/NSPCC
Child Protection Research Centre

10.40 EMERGING DEVELOPMENTS ACROSS THE FOUR NATIONS

An update on changes and developments.

10.40 **NORTHERN IRELAND** **Sean Holland**, Deputy Secretary, Social Services Policy Group, DHSSPS
Hugh Connor, Chair, Northern Ireland Safeguarding Board

11.00 **ENGLAND** **Andy Hurdle**, Deputy Director, Child Safeguarding Division,
Safeguarding Group, Department for Education

11.20 **SCOTLAND** **Phil Raines**, Head of Child Protection, The Scottish Government

11.40 Questions, brief discussion and short break

12.10 **WALES:
IN DEPTH** **INTRODUCTION**
Jonathan Corbett, Assistant Chief Inspector,
Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales

CHILD PRACTICE REVIEW PROCESS
Wendy Rose, Consultant
Katy Young, Inspector, Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales

**A CASE FOR CONCERN – SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN
– WHOSE BUSINESS IS IT?**
Jonathan Corbett, Assistant Chief Inspector,
Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales

1.05 Questions and brief discussion

Afternoon

1.15 LUNCH

1.45 EMERGING THEMES IN CHILD PROTECTION

1.45 **THEME 1** **THE ECONOMIC LANDSCAPE: THE IMPACT ON VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

Kate Stanley

Associate Head, Strategy Unit, NSPCC

Questions and brief discussion

2.10 **THEME 2** **CHILD DEATH REVIEWS: LEARNING FROM A SIX COUNTRY STUDY**

Sharon Vincent

Reader in Child Welfare, University of Wolverhampton

Questions and brief discussion

2.40 **THEME 3** **DOES THE CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM WORK FOR TEENAGERS**

Kate Stanley

Associate Head, Strategy Unit, NSPCC

Questions and brief discussion

3.10 PLENARY Discussion with closing comments from the chair

3.30 **SEMINAR ENDS**
