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## [Try our E-learning!](#)

We are very excited to launch our latest e-learning package - **Practitioner Skills in Reflective Practice**. The high quality content has been developed with practitioner input to ensure it's spot on - enabling staff to learn and gain confidence from the challenges of working with complex families. We all know reflective practice is critical to wellbeing at work, and now it's easy to prioritise! A years access for only £99.

## [Review of Youth Justice](#)

Michael Gove has asked Charlie Taylor to review the youth justice system. He was previously asked to examine discipline in the classroom. He will look at current practice in preventing youth crime and rehabilitating young offenders, as well as explore how the youth justice system can most effectively interact with wider services for children and young people. Read more about the review [here](#).

For those interested, we are supporting the London Borough of Hillingdon to pilot a model of whole family working in their youth offending service around the pre court population (MOPAC finding). Find out more [here](#).

## [School staff concern at rising levels of pupil anxiety](#)

Cuts to child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS) have been condemned by teachers' leaders amid concerns over rising levels of stress and anxiety among pupils. A survey of 1,250 school staff by the union [Association of Teachers and Lecturers](#) (ATL), found that 12% said stress levels are so great that pupils have attempted suicide, 44% said anxiety was contributing to increased incidents of self-harm and 1/3 thought eating disorders to be on the rise as a result of stress.



## OPEN TRAINING SERIES

Convenient and easy to sign up to, our range of stimulating open courses will run throughout this year, in Newcastle, Birmingham and London. Upcoming courses:

## STAFF SUPPORT AND SUPERVISION

This practical 2 day programme is aimed at managers who are responsible for providing supervision to teams and practitioners who are working with families with multiple and complex needs. Book now for **London 23-24th November**.

For all dates and locations [see our webpage!](#)

## **E-LEARNING**

Learn when it suits you! We have two great packages:

1. Tools to Support Work with Children and Families - see the [video](#).
2. Practitioner Skills in Reflective Practice - see the [video](#).

Check out the details [here](#).

Click [here](#) for more. Also see the [Interface's School Vulnerability Tool](#) in the news!!

## Transfer of public health services

On Thursday (1 October) local authorities took over the NHS commissioning of public health services for under-fives - so that they will be the lead organisation for children's health and wellbeing across all age ranges. The transfer covers health visiting and family nursing services, as well as early years checks that are part of the Healthy Child Programme.

Read more [here](#).

## Boost for Health Visiting

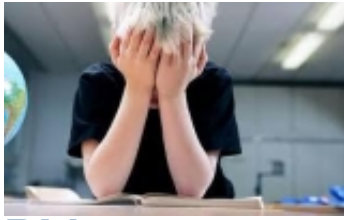
Disadvantaged areas will receive additional funding to carry out their new public health responsibilities under proposals to make the system fairer. Councils took on responsibility for the [0-5 Healthy Child Programme](#), which includes health visiting services and Family Nurse Partnership services for teenage mothers, at the start of this month. Under plans to make the system fairer, the [Department of Health's Advisory Committee on Resource Allocation](#) (ACRA) has proposed a new funding system be adopted for 2016/17.

Find out what criteria the system will be based on [here](#).

## Is Jobcentre Plus fit for purpose?

[YMCA England](#) said a study into the way job centres work with young people uncovered evidence of a "dehumanising and demoralising" employment support service that is damaging young people's confidence and, in some cases, even setting back their long-term employment prospects.

Read more [here](#).



## [PM announces drive to improve outcomes for children in care](#)

Improving outcomes for children in care will form part of an “all out assault on poverty” by government, Prime Minister David Cameron has said. Speaking at the Conservative Party Conference he said children growing up in the care system are “almost guaranteed to live in poverty”. See more [here](#).



## [Concerns over school childcare provision plans](#)

Parents in England will be given the right to request schools provide childcare for the full working day and in the holidays. But the childcare sector has voiced concerns about the plans. The [Pre-school Learning Alliance](#) says the government opted to remove staff qualification and ratio requirements for out-of-hours providers last year despite significant opposition. Read more [here](#).



## [MPs call for urgent changes to pupil premium](#)

More needs to be done to ensure the pupil premium improves outcomes for disadvantaged children, a group of MPs has said. A report into funding for disadvantaged pupils by the public accounts select committee says “urgent steps” must be taken to roll out pupil premium best practice nationally.

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