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Introduction

Welcome to the October 2009 - March 2010 multi-agency events calendar which is designed to support partnership working as part of 'The Integrated Children's Services' agenda.

This calendar is being produced on a six monthly basis giving details of training opportunities across the partner agencies. It is designed to support the PDR process giving staff and managers sufficient notice of forthcoming activity.

All events are open to practitioners, both statutory and voluntary and are delivered on a no cost basis. To secure a place on any of the interagency training, please submit a fully completed nomination provided at the back of this booklet. Please note that there is a cancellation policy in operation which requires a minimum of 48 hours notice to enable us to re allocate places. Managers and staff should be aware that a standard charge of £70.00 will be applied for non-attendance if sufficient notice has not been given.

As part of our ongoing commitment to monitoring and evaluation and in order to provide information for inspection, all courses are subject to impact evaluation. Participants will be required to complete Evaluation Learning Level 1 forms at the end of each activity, with a representative sample receiving Level 2 (impact evaluation) forms at the three month stage. Line managers will be required to provide information at Level 2 to give an indication of the impact which training has had on quality of service delivery.

Please note that South Lanarkshire Council employees can access the calendar through the intranet. If you require this calendar to be emailed to you or would like more hard copies, please contact:

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ASIST (Applied Suicide Interventions Skills Training) - 2 days

Facilitator:

Scottish Association for Mental Health

Target Group:

The course is open to staff and public who would like to learn about suicide prevention.

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Recognise invitations for help
- Review the risk of suicide
- Apply a suicide intervention model
- Link people with community resources
- Reach out and offer support

This course is participative, so be prepared to join in and gain some practical experience.

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
20 and 21 October 2009	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
16 and 17 November 2009	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
3 and 4 December 2009	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
26 and 27 January 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
17 and 18 February 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
24 and 25 March 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride

Children and Young People Healthcare Rights Resource Pack - ½ day

Facilitator:

ALVO/Action for Sick Children Scotland



Target Group:

The course is open to:

- Nursery workers
- School teachers
- Public health nursing teams (schools)
- Youth workers
- Youth health workers
- Guide and/or Scout leaders
- Health promotion officers
- Residential staff working with children and young people

Course Descriptor:

This pack has been put together following extensive work with children and young people throughout Scotland. To enable staff to use the Resource Pack a short training session will introduce staff to the topics and underpinning knowledge required to effectively promote the rights of sick and disabled children and young people. To share experiences and knowledge of the role of staff in promoting healthcare rights and responsibilities of sick and disabled children and young people.

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Use the resource pack and be able to change and adapt its use to the different age groups of the children that they are involved with
- Participants will have an increased understanding of the healthcare rights of sick and disabled children and young people

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
26 November 2009	09:30 – 11:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride

Child Protection Practices - Professional Dangerousness - 2 days

Facilitator:

Future Childcare Training Ltd



Target Group:

The course is open to all childcare professionals (both practitioners and managers).
Examples of these staff groups are:

- Social work
- Health
- Drugs teams
- Education and early years
- Police
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Raise awareness of the outcomes and lessons learnt from major child protection enquiries
- Demonstrate structured time for reflection, exploration and planning around safeguarding practices
- Develop learning through a range of presentations, case studies and group discussions
- Explore aspects of their own practice and the practices of other professionals within a safe learning environment
- Recognise dangerousness when it occurs in a range of settings and work on strategies to challenge dangerous practices
- Describe the impact on the child's development and behaviour
- Raise professionals' confidence when working with child protection issues, and be able to identify when workers are acting dangerously
- Gain the necessary knowledge and skills to feel more comfortable and confident when challenging the professionalism of others

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
3 and 4 December 2009	09:30 – 15:30	ALVO Centre, 2 Hope Street, Lanark

Child Sexual Abuse Basic Awareness - Level 1 -1 day

Facilitator:

SAY (Sexually Abused Young) Women Project



Target Group:

The course is open to staff who work directly with children and young people and with little or no formal training in this area.

Examples of these staff groups are:

- Social work
- Health
- Early years
- Drugs teams
- Youth offending teams
- Education
- Police
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

It is recommended that participants undertake this training before embarking on other courses relating to child sexual abuse.

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Demonstrate a basic understanding of the nature, extent and some of the other main issues surrounding child sexual abuse
- Explore the myths and facts surrounding sexual abuse
- Recognise the impact of abuse
- Explore the issues for staff members

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
1 December 2009	09:30 - 16:30	Hamilton Town House
16 February 2010	09:30 - 16:30	Hamilton Town House

Communicating with Children - 3 days

Facilitator:

South Lanarkshire Child Protection Committee



Target Group:

The course is open to staff who work directly with children and young people. Examples of these staff groups are:

- Social work
- Health
- Early years
- Drugs teams
- Youth offending teams
- Education
- Police
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Demonstrate understanding and knowledge regarding the importance of gaining the views and opinions of children and young people, when undertaking assessment and preparing children's plans
- To encourage participants to analyse forms of communication
- Describe how communication is influenced by stages of development and comprehension. To explore a variety of methods to effectively communicate with children and young people who have differing levels of abilities, in their understanding and use of language
- To analyse what may hinder the process of good communication and the impact this can have on appropriate service delivery

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
6, 7 and 8 October 2009	09:30 – 16:30	Voluntary Sector Support Centre Montrose Crescent, Hamilton

Emotional Abuse and Neglect - 1 day

Facilitator:

South Lanarkshire Child Protection Committee



Target Group:

The course is open to staff engaged with children to explore definitions and indicators of emotional abuse, raise awareness of the dynamics of child sexual abuse and the impact of this on children and their families. Participants should already have a basic awareness of child abuse and child protection.

Course Descriptor:

The course aims to explore definitions and indicators of emotion abuse, raise awareness of dynamics of child sexual abuse and the impact of this on children and their families.

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Define emotional abuse and neglect
- Describe factors in relation to the child and parents which might indicate a child is being emotionally abused and neglected
- Describe the short and long term impacts of emotional abuse and neglect on child's development
- Describe the process of assessing emotional abuse and neglect
- Demonstrate awareness of models of intervention and develop strategies for working with children and families affected by emotional abuse and neglect.
- Demonstrate increased confidence in supporting children and families affected by emotional abuse and neglect

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
24 November 2009	09:30 - 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
09 March 2010	09:30 - 16:30	Rutherglen Town Hall

Handling Children's Behaviour - 2 days

Facilitator:

Future Childcare Training Ltd



Target Group:

The course is open to all childcare professionals who work with parents and carers on how to handle children's behaviour. Examples of these staff groups are:

- Health teams
- Social workers - family support and placement workers
- Nursery officers
- Children's centre workers
- Teachers - primary, secondary, ASN
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

By the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the scope of the materials and its application in both groups and individual settings
- Demonstrate a working knowledge of the 'Future for Families' Handling Children's Behaviour materials
- Understand aims to prevent family breakdown and keeps children safe.
- Exercise techniques used on the course and have an understanding of how to use these with parents
- Recognise children's behaviour and how to provide a framework for handling behaviour that parents/carers can relate to use in family life
- Describe how child development and self esteem impacts on children's behaviour
- Gain adequate knowledge and skills to set up and run their own 'Future for Families' 10 week parenting programme to groups of parents/carers, as well as use the materials within individual family units

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
17 and 18 March 2010	09:30 – 15:30	Rutherglen Town House

Information Sharing Protocol - ½ day

Facilitator:

Nominated facilitators

Health
Education
Social Work

Target Group:

The course is open to all practitioners in both statutory and voluntary sectors who routinely provide services to children, adults, older people and their families, and who want to learn more about the Information Sharing Protocol, Obtaining Consent – Good Practice Guidance and its impact on practice.

Course Descriptor:

To assist practitioners understanding of issues relating to consent and confidentiality in their day to day work. To support partnership working and information sharing within and between partner agencies. To enable practitioners from partner agencies debate information sharing issues and develop understanding of each others professional and agency issues and culture.

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Explain who can consent to sharing information
- Describe how to seek, obtain, record and review consent
- Describe circumstances where it is necessary to share information without consent
- Respond to consent being refused or withdrawn

Please note that these will be delivered on a locality basis to support the development of positive working relationships between staff working in a similar geographical area. Where possible, staff should attend their local event.

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
29 October 2009	09:30 – 12:30	Hamilton Town House
25 November 2009	09:30 – 12:30	Rutherglen Town Hall
28 January 2010	09:30 – 12:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
24 February 2010	09:30 – 12:30	Shawlands Hotel, Larkhall

Interagency Child Protection Basic Awareness - 1 day

Facilitator:

South Lanarkshire Child Protection Committee



Target Group:

The course is open to staff who work directly with children and young people. Examples of these staff groups are:

- Social work
- Health
- Early years
- Drugs teams
- Youth offending teams
- Education
- Police
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Demonstrate a basic understanding of child protection
- Have an awareness of the relevant legal and policy frameworks
- Describe and outline roles and responsibilities
- Understand the roles of different agencies in the Child Protection process, within the overall framework of interagency co-operation
- Understand the Child Protection Conference process and roles and responsibilities of each agency at a child protection conference

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
30 March 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Hamilton Town House

Protection of Children Scotland Act 2003 - ½ day

Facilitator:

ALVO



Target Group:

The course is open to:

- Parent Councils Members
- Youth Groups
- Uniform Groups
- Church Groups
- Art Groups
- Volunteers, Staff and Managing committees of voluntary, community and private organisations that offer children and family services

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Demonstrate understanding of the existing POCSA legislation including the methods of good practice associated with the Disclosure Scheme
- Be aware of the new legislation the Protection of Vulnerable Groups Act 2007 which is in the process of being implemented
- Recognise what to do if they are concerned about a child – what to look out for, what to do, who to contact and advice on what happens next

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
6 November 2009	09:30 – 12:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
29 January 2010	09:30 – 12:30	Rutherglen Town Hall
4 February 2010	18:30 – 21:00	Hamilton Town House

Raising awareness of child sexual abuse and related issues - level 2 - 1 day

Facilitator:

SAY (Sexually Abused Young) Women



Target Group:

Participants should have completed the level 1 basic awareness training, or have a good understanding of child sexual abuse or a good understanding and/or working practice of the issues for survivors.

Examples of these staff groups are:

- Social work
- Health
- Early years
- Drugs teams
- Youth offending teams
- Education
- Police
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

Level 2 training builds on the level from level 1 raising awareness training.

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Demonstrate an increased understanding of the nature, extent and effect of sexual abuse
- Explore the needs of survivors
- Recognise the need to highlight relevant resources
- Demonstrate the tools to assist when working with survivors of child sexual abuse

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
23 March 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Hamilton Town House

Respect Me, Bullying... It's Never Acceptable - 1 day

Facilitator:

ALVO



Target Group:

The course is open to all who would like to learn about bullying behaviours and the practical strategies that can be used to address bullying.

- Education
- Early Years
- Volunteers
- Social care
- Parents and Carers
- Social Work
- Emergency Services
- Youth Worker
- Parent Councils

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Interpret behaviours to distinguish what bullying behaviour is and what it is not
- Recognise prejudice based bullying and the value of embracing diversity
- Recognise that bullying is a breach of children's rights
- Identify the signs that bullying may be taking place
- Explain the factors that may lead to a person bullying
- Recognise the effects that bullying can have on mental health and well-being and appreciate the journey of recovery

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
8 and 15 December 2009 (2 sessions to attend)	18:00 – 21:00	ALVO Centre, 2 Hope Street, Lanark
31 March 2010	10:00 – 16:30	Rutherglen Town Hall

Risk Assessment and Risk Management in Child Protection - 2 days

Facilitator:

Garth Associates



Target Group:

The course is open to workers from a range of agencies / services who would like to learn about comprehensive assessment of children and their families. Examples of these staff groups are:

- Head teachers, Guidance teachers
- Nursery Heads, workers
- Voluntary Sector
- Police
- SCRA
- Public Health Nurses, School Nurses
- Social workers, social care workers

Course Descriptor:

At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Describe the purpose and process of risk assessment
- Understand agency roles and responsibilities
- Recognise the importance of interagency co-operation and communication.
- Practice an inclusive approach when undertaking assessments
- Develop a common understanding of the language of assessment
- Identify the skills necessary to gather and organise data, and the exercising of professional judgement when undertaking assessment
- Demonstrate the link between risk assessment, risk analysis and risk management
- Explore some available assessment tools
- Reflect the need for a general risk assessment framework to sit within the integrated assessment framework
- Promote consideration of risk as part of ALL assessments

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
9 and 10 December 2009	09:30 – 16:30	Hamilton Town House
4 and 5 February 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Atholl House, East Kilbride
25 and 26 February 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Rutherglen Town Hall

Significant Case Review - ½ day

Facilitator:

South Lanarkshire Child Protection Committee



Target Group:

This seminar is open to:

- Social work
- Health
- Early years
- Education
- Housing
- Voluntary sector team leaders
- Police
- Private and voluntary sectors who work with children and families

Course Descriptor:

This event is designed to encourage multi agency discussion on the lessons learned from significant case reviews and how these can be embedded in practice

- To raise awareness of the Significant Case Review Process
- To disseminate lessons from the Lanarkshire Significant Case Reviews
- To facilitate reflective practice and learning from the Significant Case Reviews

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
1 October 2009	09:30 – 12:30	Hamilton Town House

We can and must do better - Improving educational outcomes for looked after children and young people - 1 day

Facilitator:

South Lanarkshire Council – Inclusion, Education Resources

Target Group:

The course is open to practitioners working with looked after children and young people and will explore definitions and identify specific and complex issues affecting the educational opportunities and outcomes for looked after children. There will be worthwhile and interesting examples of good practice and strategies used in relation to improving educational outcomes for looked after children.

Course Descriptor:

The course aims to explore definitions and identify specific issues affecting the educational opportunities and outcomes for looked after children. At the end of the event participants should be able to:

- Understand the definition of 'looked after'
- Describe the issues affecting looked after children and the affect these can have on their educational progress
- Understand the roles and responsibilities of the 'Corporate Parent'
- Demonstrate awareness of attachment issues
- Understand that Physical, mental and emotional wellbeing are critical in facilitating positive educational outcomes for looked after children and young people
- Describe ways in which learning environments can be flexible in order to provide not only effective academic support, but also opportunities for personal and social support
- Describe the significance of exclusion, transition and identify other major crossroad points in the lives of looked after children
- Be confident in raising awareness of the educational needs of looked after children and young people amongst school staff, social workers, parents, foster carers and residential workers

Dates and Locations:

Date	Time	Location
22 October 2009	09:30 – 16:30	Hamilton Town House
10 February 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Hamilton Town House
18 May 2010	09:30 – 16:30	Hamilton Town House



Course nomination form

Name:

Employee ref no: Job title:

Resource / Company:

Service:

Work address (including postcode):

Phone: Email:

Course details

	Course title:	Date:
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Line Managers details

Line manager sign:

Print name:

Email address: Phone:

Dietary requirements:

Any other requests:

Please complete attached form and return to amy.brown@southlanarkshire.gov.uk or forward to Employee Development, Corporate Personnel, Personnel Services, Floor 3, Almada Street, Hamilton, ML3 0AA

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