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Public Protection Bulletin



27th May 2022

Dear colleague,

Nearly all public health protection measures have been removed but COVID-19 remains a risk, especially for vulnerable people. For the foreseeable future, our member organisations and front-line workers will continue to face significant challenges. As public protection leaders and managers have a responsibility to focus on how we continue to support our staff and volunteers.

As previously reported, our Adult Support and Protection and Child Protection Committees and subgroups have returned to the regular meeting schedules, albeit on video conferencing platforms. We review this on a regular basis to determine when we will be able to meet in person again.

People continue to tell us these bulletins are a valuable source of information and accordingly, we will continue to seek out the latest news and provide electronic links to more detailed articles. In order to ensure that the bulletin meets the needs of public protection professionals in Glasgow, we have included a [link](#) to a short survey so that you can tell us what you think of the bulletin and how it could be improved. We would very much appreciate it if you would take 5 minutes to complete it. Please continue to share any interesting news or developments from your particular agency or organisation.

We hope you find something of interest to you in the articles below.

Please stay safe and healthy.

Best wishes,

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Colin Anderson,
Independent Chair
Adult Support & Protection Committee/Child Protection Committee

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Glasgow Public Protection Committees

[Glasgow Public Protection Committees Bulletin Survey](#)

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COVID – 19

[Living with Dementia Under COVID-19 Restrictions: Coping and Support Needs Among People with Dementia and Carers from the IDEAL Cohort](#)

Stringent social restrictions imposed during 2020 to counter the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic could significantly affect the wellbeing and quality of life of people with dementia living in the community and their family carers. This study explores the impact of COVID-19 restrictions on people with dementia and family carers in England and considered how negative effects might be mitigated.

[Are Visits Allowed?](#)

An article that explores the impact of COVID-19 on care provision and visits in care homes from staff and family members' perspectives.

[COVID-19 Mental Health Transition and Recovery Plan - Children and Young People's Mental Health: Impact Assessment](#)

A children's rights and wellbeing impact assessment which addresses the commitments made in the Coronavirus (COVID-19): mental health - transition and recovery plan and encapsulates the work of multiple policy areas which address children and young people's mental health.

Children, Young People & Education

[Introduction to children's rights: training tool](#)

Scottish Government training resource relating to children's rights and the children's rights and wellbeing impact assessment (CRWIA).

[Improving the Quality of Decision Making and Risk Assessment in Children's Social Care](#)

A rapid review of the body of work focussing on the quality of decision making and risk assessment for children referred to statutory children's social care services.

[Educational and Health Outcomes of Schoolchildren in Local Authority Care in Scotland](#)

A study that aimed to compare educational and health outcomes for looked after children with peers, adjusting for sociodemographic, maternity, and comorbidity confounders.

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[Family Nurse Partnership: 10 year analysis](#)

To mark the first ten years of the Family Nurse Partnership in Scotland, the Scottish Government have undertaken a review of data from the programme over this time.

[Children's Care and Justice Bill consultation on policy proposals](#)

The Scottish Government has launched a consultation covering potential legislative reforms to promote and advance the rights of children in the care and justice systems and people who have been harmed, including views on matters such as the Children's Hearings System, the criminal justice system, secure care and the age of criminal responsibility. The consultation will be open until 22 June this year.

[Further Evidence on the Extent and Time Course of Repeat Missing Incidents Involving Children](#)

This study examines the extent and time course of repeat missing incidents involving children.

[Too Little, Too Late: Early Help and Early Intervention Spending in England](#)

The Action for Children report analyses information from 131 English local authorities. Findings include: 517,000 children received targeted early help support in 2019/20; there are an estimated 60,000 missed opportunities to offer early help every year; and there is significant variation between local authorities in the provision of early help services

[Herefordshire Council social services separated twins despite expert warnings](#)

Twins were wrongly split up for adoption after social workers altered an expert report warning of the harm of separation.

[CEN's New Turas eLearning Modules- Now Available](#)

Scotland's Children with Exceptional Needs (CEN) Network has launched a suite of Turas eLearning modules to help support healthcare professionals in all fields who encounter children and young people to understand more about the lived experience of those they care for.

Disability

[Ending poverty and removing barriers to work for disabled people in Glasgow beyond Covid](#)

The Disability Workstream of Glasgow Social Recovery Taskforce was co-designed with public agencies and the Glasgow DPO Network (Glasgow Disabled Peoples' Organisations). With support provided by Dr Richard Brunner, a researcher from University of Glasgow's Centre for Disability Research, the Disability Workstream has launched a new report Ending poverty and removing barriers to work for disabled people in Glasgow beyond Covid-19.

[Home Modifications and Disability Outcomes](#)

The findings from a longitudinal study of older adults living in England.

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Autism, ADHD & Learning Difficulties

[Calm With Horses?](#)

A systematic review of animal-assisted interventions for improving social functioning in children with autism.

[Building Blocks](#)

A report which explores the barriers and facilitators to early learning and childcare provision for children with learning disabilities in Scotland.

Mental Health

[Factors Associated with Treatment Uptake, Completion, and Subsequent Symptom Improvement in a National Digital Mental Health Service](#)

A study that examined the effect of patient characteristics, in particular, self-reported psychosocial difficulties, on the uptake of digital mental health services.

[All the Lonely People](#)

In response to the theme for this year's Mental Health Week, this report by the Mental Health Foundation explores what it's like to be lonely.

Older People & Dementia

[Research in Practice Dementia Resources](#)

To support Dementia Action Week research in Practice have brought together a range of resources to support working with people living with dementia.

Carers

[Young Carers, Mental Health and Psychosocial Wellbeing](#)

A synthesis, based on RAMESES realist protocols, that aims to increase clarity concerning how and why the mental and psychosocial health impacts of caring for a family member vary for different children.

[Supporting People Who Provide Unpaid Care for Adults with Health or Social Care Needs](#)

This quick guide, aimed at social care practitioners, highlights some of the ways support can be provided. These include offering training and advice, support to remain in work, training or education, and regular breaks.

Housing & Homelessness

[Hitting Brick Walls](#)

A report that calls for stronger safeguards to protect young care leavers from homelessness.

Substance Use & Addictions

[Alcohol and drug use and trauma-informed practice: companion document](#)

This document is designed to support all professionals working with people affected by alcohol/drug use and/or their families and aims to strengthen awareness and understanding about trauma-informed practice.

[National Naloxone Programme Scotland: Annual Monitoring Report 2019/20 and 2020/21](#)

This release by Public Health Scotland presents information on the number of take-home naloxone (THN) kits issued by the National Naloxone Programme in Scotland. 22,366 THN kits were issued in Scotland in 2020/21, an increase of 67% from 2019/20 (13,414).

Equality & Poverty

[International comparisons of life expectancy](#)

Devastating new data analysis from the Health Foundation has revealed – on the starkest measure – that for many women in England, life expectancy for women in the poorest parts is less than the overall life expectancy for women in every OECD country in the world besides Mexico.

Gender Based Violence

[A tale of two femicides - and media bias](#)

The media prefers some female murder victims to others - one killing gets blanket coverage, while another is quickly dismissed. But crimes of femicide - when a woman is killed because of her gender - may at least be counted more accurately, if the UN can persuade countries to use a new, expanded framework for identifying cases.

[Scottish Women's Rights Centre - Know your rights: the criminal justice process](#)

This blog provides some brief information about what you should expect from the criminal justice process as a survivor of gender-based violence, and explains your rights as set out in the Scottish Government's [Victims' Code for Scotland](#).

Refugees, Asylum, Trafficking and Immigration

[Lifting 'no recourse' conditions for migrants would lead to greater social and economic gains, especially for children](#)

In times of financial crisis, the social security safety net is vital in protecting low-income households from hardship, deprivation, and debt. But these crucial support structures, however inadequate, are not available to everyone who lives and works in the UK.

[Children and Families Seeking Asylum in the UK](#)

A research briefing on the needs, experiences and outcomes of children and families living on Asylum Support provided by the Home Office in the UK.

[Teenage asylum seekers left in limbo by age disputes](#)

A growing number of under-18s seeking asylum in Scotland have been unlawfully recorded as adults and left in hostels for months with no help, the BBC has been told.

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Crime, Justice & Prisons

[Improving victims' experiences of the justice system: consultation](#)

The Scottish Government's consultation supports delivery of their commitment to empower and protect victims of crime through improving justice services, as set out in the [Programme for Government 2021-22](#), and takes forward the work of the [Victims Taskforce](#) and recommendations from [Lady Dorrian's Review of the management of sexual offence cases](#) which do, or may, require a legislative underpinning. Closes 5 August 2022.

[Concerns over closure of 140 police stations in Scotland since 2013](#)

Concerns have been raised over new analysis showing 140 dedicated police stations and offices have been shut since Police Scotland was created in 2013.

Online & Financial Harm

[Internet Watch Foundation Annual Report 2021](#)

Internet Watch Foundations' annual report, which presents the latest global data on the identification, hosting, distribution and removal of child sexual abuse images and videos.

[New WhatsApp Support Scam](#)

WhatsApp users are being warned to be wary of a new scam where fraudulent accounts pose as WhatsApp Support in an attempt to encourage users to provide their personal and account details.

WhatsApp will not message to ask for details about your credit card or information such as login codes or two-step verification PIN. It is a free app and will never ask for money or confidential information to avoid terminating accounts.

Social Care & Practice

[Implementation of the Making Safeguarding Personal Approach to Strengths-Based Adult Social Care: Systematic Review of Qualitative Research Evidence](#)

This article presents a synthesis of seven studies that examined Making Safeguarding Personal (MSP).

[Support Provided or Funded by Health and Social Care Partnerships in Scotland 2019/20 - 2020/21](#)

A statistical summary that provides information on people receiving social care support and services in Scotland across financial years 2019/20 and 2020/21.

[IRISS new online course: Ethical commissioning in social care](#)

The course provides staff with tools and resources to help apply ethical principles to the planning and purchase of adult social care and support services. If you are looking to build your knowledge on commissioning and procurement, the course unpacks background policy, definitions, and contains a range of practical exercises and resources to get you started.

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Events

[Best Start, Bright Future: A webinar on the Scottish Child Poverty Delivery Plan, 06.06.22, 10 – 13:00](#)

Best Start, Bright Future, the Scottish Government's [Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan](#), was published at the end of March. It's designed to help create the change we need to drive down child poverty and reach Scotland's interim child poverty targets in 2024. Scottish Poverty Alliance are hosting a morning of discussion on how we can all work together to ensure that the ambition contained in the plan is delivered.

[Growing Up in Scotland conference 2022, 21.06.22, 09:30 – 13:00](#)

This year's conference will include an update on the study, presentation of findings from the latest Scottish Government report on [Life at Age 14](#), and presentations from research projects which have recently used the study data, sharing important perspectives on the issues that young people and their families in Scotland face today. Life at Age 14 explores the experience of school, educational aspirations, mental health and life satisfaction amongst other topics.

ScotCen is pleased to announce that the keynote address will be given by Clare Haughey MSP, Minister for Children and Young People, and the proceedings will be chaired by Bruce Adamson, Children and Young People's Commissioner for Scotland.

[CAMHS National Summit 2022: Transforming Mental Health Services for Children & Young Adults, 22.09.22](#)

This national conference focuses on transforming mental health services for children and young people, ensuring early intervention, and developing integrated services with clear care pathways from first intervention to crisis and inpatient care. The conference will also look at national developments and learning from the Covid-19 pandemic and how CAMHS has had to adapt and innovate to provide effective care. The conference will address suicide prevention and learning from suicide and also safeguarding and CAMHS.

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