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Newsletter

SEPTEMBER NEWS

Permanently Progressing? Online Research Webinar

The Permanently Progressing Project has just published their Middle Childhood (Phase 2) Report. We are excited to announce we will be hosting an Online Webinar on 1st Oct: 10.00 – 12.00 featuring the Permanently Progressing research team where you can here more about their key findings. Click below for further information and link to register.

Find Out More

Legal Conference - book your place!

Bookings for our annual Legal Conference to be held on the 1st November has proved very popular therefore don't delay in submitting your application. This year's theme is *Children's Rights: Our Responsibilities*. Click below for information on our speakers.

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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Have you seen our 2024-25 Programme?

All workshops are delivered online. You can find more details on what is covered in each workshop via the links below.

Whose Minute is it Anyway?

(19 November 2024)

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Presenting at Adoption and Fostering Panels

(28 November 2024)

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The Role of the Kinship Worker

(21 January 2025)

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Safer Caring in Fostering

(05 February 2025)

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Assessing Foster Carers and Adopters

(18 February 2025)

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UPCOMING DATES FOR MEMBERS

We run several forums, community of practices, consortia sessions for our members working in the area of fostering, kinship care and adoption. Upcoming dates are listed below.

Find Out More About Our Forums Here

September Dates For Your Diary

Kinship Practitioners Forum - 18th Sept

Consortia - North East of Scotland Legal Surgery - 19th Sept

Consortia - West of Scotland Legal Surgery - 23rd Sept

Legal Adoption and Fostering Forum - 24th Sept

October Dates For Your Diary

Consortia - PAN Scotland - 2nd Oct **** NEW DATE ****

Consortia - L&L Making Sense of the Promise Plan 24-30 - 3rd Oct

Fostering Practitioners Community of Practice - 29th October

OTHER WAYS WE CAN HELP

Commissioned Training

We offer commissioned training for you and your colleagues on a variety of topics outlined in our training brochure.

See Brochure

Safer Caring in Fostering

We have commissioned sessions scheduled for this training which also includes for your agency, a copy of Paul Adam's new 'Developing a family safer caring plan' eBook and the accompanying Form FCSP to use. If your agency would like to commission this too, please contact us at info@afkascotland.org

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Consultancy

We offer independent, bespoke consultancy services. Previously this has included delivering learning reviews for unplanned endings and creating new policies and procedures. To discuss consultancy packages email us at info@afkascotland.org

NEWS FROM ACROSS THE SECTOR

National Community of Practice for Siblings

AFKA, Stand Up For Siblings and the Promise Scotland continue to deliver the National Community of Practice for Siblings. Last session explored child and family assessments centred on loving connections.

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The next in-person, free session at Rossie Young People's Trust will look at**:**

Supporting Sibling Relationships Within Secure Settings

(1st Oct)

Book Now

Scottish Government 'Moving On' From Care Consultation **CLOSING SOON **

The Scottish Government has launched a consultation on what exists and what is missing to support young people leaving care. They are particularly keen to hear from care experienced young people, kinship carers and foster carers and professionals who support these transitions. You have until 3rd Oct to share your views.

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Call for Participants - *information and support for those harmed by children and young people who are referred to the Children's Reporter*

SCRA and Victim Support Scotland want to gather views on the type of information and supports that should be available to victims and how this should be delivered. If you would like to help, please contact Judy Warburton

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Scottish Government Children's Hearings Redesign Consultation

The Scottish Government has launched a consultation on the redesign of Scotland's Children's Hearings system. It focusses on areas which may require changes to the law. You have until 28th Oct to share your views.

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HOSTED SERVICES

Kinship Care
Advice service for Scotland

Did you know there is a Kinship practitioners hub on the KCASS website? You can access it here

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Scotland's Adoption Register
Funded by the Scottish Government

Upcoming Family Finding Events

Dates for your diary are:

Activity Day: 28th Sept

To refer please email sar@adoptionregster.scot

Click below for further information on events

Find Out More

CoramBAAF

Upcoming Members Week Events

CoramBAAF is running a members week from 23rd - 27th September. which will focus on *Listening to the Child.* Across the week there will be an exciting mix of live events, blogs, podcast episodes, journal articles, pre-recorded bitesize workshops and more. The live events will be available for members only to attend (make sure to sign in to your website account to do this!).

Free – members only

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Are you getting the most from your membership?

Did you know being a member with us also grants you membership to CoramBAAF?

To access your members only benefits including access to their members only section of the website full of free resources and support, you must first set up an account.

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