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Scottish Council on Deafness Bulletin | Bi-Monthly Magazine for SCoD Members



SCoD is 90 years old this year

The West of Scotland Deaf Children's Society and SCoD had a sports / fun day on To start our 90th birthday celebration and their 70th. We are planning more events with our members and information will follow.

National Council

The next SCoD National Council meeting will be on Tuesday 5 September 2017. Please keep this date in your diary. Papers will be sent out to members shortly.

Cross Party Group on Deafness (CPGD)

The next CPGD will take place in the Scottish Parliament on Wednesday 13 September 2017. The first part of the meeting will be the 2017 AGM and the second part will be the ordinary meeting. Papers will be sent to all representatives shortly.

Training

We are putting together a training programme for the autumn. More information available soon. We are offering [AwarenessBITES](#) online deaf awareness training – more information in the training part of this bulletin.

Membership

As you know we are 90 this year and we are planning to celebrate with our members. I would like to thank all the members who have paid their fees so far and remind those who haven't that they should pay as soon as possible so that they can be involved in our birthday celebrations and the future of SCoD.

We are keen to involve new members in our work especially on:

- BSL language development
- Communication barriers and solutions
- General awareness

If you want to know more about joining SCoD and being part of the Deaf Sector, please contact us on admin@scod.org.uk or telephone 0141 248 2474.

If you are a BSL user, you can use [contactSCOTLAND-BSL](#) to contact us.

SCoD's "Connect & Collaborate" Conference 2018

Our Conference is on 8 March 2018. Have you all got this date in your diary?

The theme will be "**Connect and Collaborate**" and will be around the topic "**Integration, Inclusion and Wellbeing**". We will announce shortly the programme and "early bird" tickets will be on sale from September. Watch this space!

Disclosure: Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG)

SCoD is registered as a Countersignatory body with Disclosure Scotland. If you have staff who will be working with children and/or vulnerable adults they will need to be a member of the PVG Scheme. If you are not able to sign the forms yourself why not get SCoD to do it for you!

For more information about booking an appointment or general information, please visit our website: <http://www.scod.org.uk/disclosure-for-working-with-protected-groups/>

Best wishes
Janis & the SCoD Team

GENERAL NEWS

BDA Scotland Dementia Project

British Deaf Association (BDA) Scotland is delighted to announce that the Life Changes Trust has awarded us to set up the 'Transforming the Deaf Dementia Experience' project for 3 years.



Please check for further information on our BDA website and Facebook:

<https://bda.org.uk/transforming-the-deaf-dementia-experience-new-project/>

<https://www.facebook.com/BritishDeafAssociation/posts/1540319679363681>

A new social security assessment process for Scotland: the views of seldom heard people

The ALLIANCE has published the final report from the consultation with seldom heard people in Scotland about a new social security assessment process: http://www.alliance-scotland.org.uk/download/library/lib_5940f03778baa/.

The ALLIANCE consulted with seldom heard people around Scotland. 238 people took part in the online survey and 97 people participated in 14 focus groups.

Consequences of distributing personal pictures or film

A new law will make it easier to prosecute people who share intimate images without consent.

From today (Monday), those convicted of the new offence of 'disclosing, or threatening to disclose, an intimate photograph or film' could face up to five years imprisonment under the Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Act 2016.

A hard-hitting public awareness campaign will drive home the serious consequences of sharing intimate images or films of a current or former partner without their permission. For more information, go to <http://notyourstoshare.scot/campaign>

Consultation on The Supporting Children's Learning Code of Practice (third edition) and associated regulations - update

The Supporting Children's Learning Code of Practice (third edition) and associated regulations.

This is to update you that the consultation has been extended and will now close on [12 September 2017](#). Please also be aware that we now intend the amendments to the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act to commence in January 2018.

Further information about the consultation can be found at <https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/supporting-learners/code-of-practice>

Police Scotland Counter Terrorism and Serious Organised Crime Awareness

You might already be aware, but following the U.K. Counter Terrorism awareness week in June, Police Scotland updated our personal safety guidance. This covers what to do in the event of an attack involving firearms and weapons and it provides some basic guidance to disabled communities on how they can follow the advice - RUN, HIDE, TELL. We also publicised the 'Stay Safe' clip which Leicestershire Police translated into British Sign Language.

BSL Stay Safe Clip - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2jGEN3nvzag>

Police Scotland Counter Terrorism and Serious Organised Crime awareness information page - <http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/280693/stay-safe-firearms-and-weapons-attack>

If you require any further information or would like an input from Police Scotland, please do not hesitate to contact PC Stephanie Rose (Police Scotland disability portfolio lead) at stephanie.rose@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill

The Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill was presented to parliament on Monday 19 June 2017 and published on Tuesday 20 June.

You can read the Bill and accompanying documents, along with relevant impact assessments of the Bill here: www.gov.scot/Topics/People/Young-People/gettingitright/information-sharing/cyp-information-sharing-bill-2017

This also includes:

- an illustrative draft of Parts 4 and 5 of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014 ("the 2014 Act"), applying the proposed changes, and
- an illustrative draft Code of Practice in relation to information sharing under Parts 4 and 5, the final version of which will be mandatory when these Parts of the Act are commenced.

What does the Bill do?

The Children and Young People (Information Sharing) (Scotland) Bill will introduce a duty on public bodies and other organisations with duties under Parts 4 and 5 of the 2014 Act to consider if the sharing of information will promote, support or safeguard the wellbeing of a child or young person. It will also ensure that the sharing is compatible with current law and further introduce a Code of Practice that will provide additional safeguards in relation to information sharing under these parts of the 2014 Act.

The Bill specifically makes changes to the information sharing provisions in Part 4 of the 2014 Act in response to the Supreme Court's finding and takes account of the outcome of the intensive engagement with stakeholders which took place in 2016. The Bill also makes changes to Part 5 of the 2014 Act in order to keep the information sharing provisions of Parts 4 and 5 in alignment.

Why is this Bill important?

The aim of the Bill is to bring consistency, clarity and coherence to the practice of sharing information about children's and young people's wellbeing across Scotland. It will ensure that the rights of children, young people and parents are respected when information is shared under Part 4 (Provision of Named Persons) and Part 5 (Child's Plan).

As the Deputy First Minister indicated in his statement to parliament on 7 March, improving the lives of all our children, young people and their families is something that members of the Scottish Parliament have been working together to achieve for many years. Getting it right for every child has been the national approach in Scotland to improving outcomes and supporting the wellbeing of our children and young people since 2006, and is already well established in many areas.

The Scottish Government remains fully committed to Getting it right for every child and will work with others to strengthen the approach and build public confidence as we move forward with the legislative process. We continue to engage with the full range of interested stakeholders to ensure that every opportunity is taken to improve the quality of service that children, young people and families experience from public services across Scotland.

We look forward to working with you to achieve this shared ambition.

Next steps

The Bill process will be followed by a formal public consultation on the revised statutory guidance for Parts 4 and 5 of the 2014 Act and the Code of Practice on information sharing. The Scottish Government will work with Parliament to agree a timetable to enable commencement in 2018.

If you have any questions about the Bill or accompanying documents, please contact the Bill mailbox: cyp.information.sharing.bill@gov.scot

Consultation on the Supporting Children’s Learning Code of Practice (third edition) and associated regulations

Please see a link to the consultation on the Supporting Children’s Learning Code of Practice (third edition) and associated regulations, <https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/supporting-learners/code-of-practice>

Please feel free to circulate the link to any colleagues you think may be interested in this. The consultation will seek views from those who are involved in supporting children and young people with additional support needs and runs from 19 June 2017- 14 August 2017. Please see brief background on the consultation below:

Consultation on The Supporting Children’s Learning Code of Practice (third edition) and associated regulations

The Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 provides the legal framework for identifying and addressing the additional support needs of children and young people who face a barrier, or barriers, to learning.

The Act aims to ensure that all children and young people are provided with the necessary support to help them work towards achieving their full potential. It also promotes collaborative working among all those supporting children and young people and sets out the rights of children, young people and parents within the system.

The Act has been amended by the Education (Scotland) Act 2016. This extension provides that children will have the same rights as young people and parents under the Additional Support for Learning legislation, except in relation to placing requests and the use of mediation services. It is intended that these amendments to the Act will commence in November 2017.

In preparation for this, there is a need to update associated Regulations and statutory guidance. This consultation seeks views in relation to 4 things (the code of practice and 3 sets of regulations):

- The Supporting Children’s Learning Code of Practice (third edition) 2017 - the statutory guidance for the Education (Additional Support for Learning) Act.
- The Additional Support for Learning Dispute Resolution (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2017
- The Section 70 (Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2017
- The Additional Support for Learning (Collection of Data) (Scotland) Regulations 2017

Scottish Government launch consultation on draft regulations transferring the ASNTS into the Scottish Tribunals



The Scottish Government has today launched a consultation on draft regulations that transfer the Additional Support Needs Tribunals for Scotland to the Scottish Tribunals. The consultation is available at the link below:

<https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/tribunals-administrative-justice-policy/additional-support-needs-tribunals/>

Closing date is [1 August 2017](#).

Regulations have been laid today in Parliament by the Scottish Government, relating to the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016.

Prior to full commencement of the Act and a 'go live' date for the Lobbying Register next year, a number of practicalities are required to be taken forward. These Regulations are for that purpose. They will allow the Parliament, following its summer recess, to pave the way for:



- the publication of guidance on the operation of the Act;
- the publication of a Code of Conduct for persons lobbying Members of the Parliament;
- for the Parliament to be able to bring forward certain resolutions and directions, as required, in advance of the Act's full commencement next year.
- the Parliament promoting public awareness and understanding of the Act.

The Regulations are available to view here – [The Lobbying \(Scotland\) Act 2016 \(Commencement No1\) Regulations 2017](#)

Scotland's Ten Year Strategy for the Learning Provision for Children and Young People with Complex Additional Support Needs 2017-2026



This consultation will run until 28 August 2017.

<https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/support-and-wellbeing/complex-additional-support-needs-2017-2026/>

Message from the Scottish Sensory Centre

I think it is important that as many people as possible respond to this so please pass this on. I think it is important for many reasons but one reason is that I believe, but I could be wrong, that the Scottish Sensory Centre as well as the other national centres would be funded (if successful through a strategic bidding application) from what would become this pot, and looking through the questions asked in the consultation, they seem to be about training, research, needs development and so forth, so please look at the consultation and if you could keep the SSC and other national centres, eg, Children in Scotland and CALL Scotland, in mind when completing it I would be very grateful.

EVENTS

Malvina's Garden for Forth Valley Sensory Centre



The Forth Valley Sensory Centre, based in Camelon, Falkirk, is delighted to announce that for the second year running one of the area's best private gardens will be opened up for just one day, [Sunday 6th August](#), to help raise money for lip reading classes.

Rare chance to visit award winning garden

The garden is owned by Malvina Dwyer and has been featured in books and on TV. It has won numerous awards and remains the envy of many professional gardener.

Once each year, Malvina puts on a spread, with tea coffee and delicious home baking and invites the public into the three quarter acre garden which consists of terracing, formal and informal grounds as well as woodlands and even wildflowers.

Paths in the garden are good but those with limited mobility are warned that there are some steep sections in the garden due to the nature of the surrounding geography.

The cost is £3 for adults and £2 for concessions. The garden, located at Quarrybank Cottage, Falkirk Road, Avonbridge, FK1 2NA is open 1pm – 5pm to find out more about the Centre and for contact information visit www.forthvalleysensorycentre.org or @FVSensoryCentre on Facebook and Twitter. Textphone: 07341 560 709 or call 01324 590 888

Deafblind Scotland – Sports Dinner (CHANGE OF DATE) Friday 10 November 2017



Deafblind Scotland are delighted to invite you to our very first Sports Dinner on [Friday 10th November](#) (changed from 27th October)

The evening will be taking place at 200 SVS, Central Glasgow and will be hosted by former Rangers player and SFA Chief Exec Gordon Smith, along with special guests.

Guests will enjoy a champagne reception, delicious three course meal, exciting charity auction and great entertainment.

Individual tickets are available for £50, with tables of 10 priced at £450.

Please find attached the official save the date as well as a map to 200 SVS (200 SVS is located on St Vincent Street, Glasgow and is within walking distance of both Glasgow Central and Queen Street stations).

Please don't hesitate to contact myself or a member of the fundraising team for more information. Contact details are annemarie.feechan@dbscotland.org.uk

British Academy of Audiology
14th Annual Conference
16th & 17th November 2017,
Bournemouth International Centre (BIC)



Organised by the British Academy of Audiology, we are delighted to announce that the 14th annual conference and exhibition will take place on the 16th and 17th November 2017 at the Bournemouth International Centre (BIC).

Attracting over 600 delegates and 50 exhibitors along with an array of international speakers, BAA conference is the largest audiology conference in the UK.

Registration is now open! For more information visit: www.baaudiology.org/conference

The Programme:

Delegates can expect to receive the latest in audiology research, education and expertise, with inspiring speakers and informative sessions.

New to this year's conference will be the back to basic tutorials which will cover a range of topics such as hearing aid features, counselling skills, testing children, ear moulds, and tinnitus. The programme will also feature efficiency tracks which particular focus on service improvements to include future-proofing the workforce.

Due to the resounding success of the '**All You Need to Know**' series, we will be running these sessions again to provide you with practical advice and access to online resources.

Conference Highlights include:

- The latest in Audiology research, education and expertise, with inspiring speakers and informative sessions
- Bamford lecture to be presented by *Gwen Carr*
- The Adrian Davies lecture will be presented by *Dave Fabry*
- Series of '**All You Need to Know**' sessions providing practical advice for clinics with online resources
- Efficiency tracks focusing on service improvements to include future-proofing the workforce, disruptive technologies, implantable devices, and much more
- **New for 2017**, back to basics tutorials covering a range of topics such as hearing aid features, counselling skills, testing children, ear moulds, and tinnitus
- Awards programme to acknowledge individuals and teams who have excelled in the Audiology profession
- The UK's largest Audiology exhibition
- Exciting social event and networking opportunities

To view the programme visit: www.baaudiology.org/conference

Abstracts:

Free paper and poster presentations form an integral part of the conference and are a fantastic way for those working within the audiology field to share best practice, research and network with colleagues.

Successful submissions will have their research displayed at conference or may be asked to present orally to audiologists from the UK and beyond.

Submitting an abstract is an easy online process and we ask that all submissions are made before the closing date on **Monday 24th July 2017**.

REGISTER NOW at www.baaudiology.org/conference
Early bird price valid until 2nd October 2017

For further information email events@baaudiology.org or phone 01506 292 035
Follow [@BAAudiology](https://twitter.com/BAAudiology) and use #BAACConf
Like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/BAAudiology)

Deaf Photo Walk in Glasgow

Deaf Roots and Pride Scotland is having an event 'Deaf Photo Walk in Glasgow' on Friday 4th August for young Deaf people from 16-20 years old. This is an opportunity for those who are keen to develop new skills in photography.



If interested, or know someone who might be interested in it – please email me for booking forms or forward this email to them.

Please click this link for more information. (BSL video included)

BDA Website - <https://bda.org.uk/deaf-photo-walk-glasgow/>

BDA Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/pg/BritishDeafAssociation/posts>

For more information, please contact Toni George at mentorscot.drp@bda.org.uk

BSL TOUR EVENT: Women of the GORBALS History Walk

What: WOMEN OF THE GORBALS HISTORY WALK

Why: Do you want to learn what life was like in Gorbals in the 1800s? BSL/English interpreters will be provided.

When: Saturday 5th August 2017

Time: 2pm-4pm.

Where: Cultha Vaults (Pub), G1 5HZ

See the link below for the BSL version:

<https://www.facebook.com/BritishDeafAssociation/videos/1527659787296337/>

For more information or to book a ticket, please contact Helen at hco.scot@bda.org.uk

Deaf Action August 1st to 22nd August 2017

In August 2017, we are running a programme of Employability Workshops.

Location: Fife Society for the Blind, Wilson Avenue, Kirkcaldy, KY2 5EF.

Please contact employability@deafaction.org



Workshops for Deaf/BSL Users:

Date	Title	Time
02.08.17	Interview Skills	1pm-3pm
09.08.17	Access to Work	1pm-3pm
16.08.17	Keeping Healthy in the Workplace	1pm-3pm
23.08.17	Building Confidence/Self Esteem	1pm-3pm

Workshops for People who are Hard of Hearing/Deafened, Deaf/Blind:

Date	Title	Time
01.08.17	Interview Skills	1pm-3pm
08.08.17	Access to Work	1pm-3pm
15.08.17	Building Confidence/Self Esteem	1pm-3pm
23.08.17	Keeping Healthy in the Workplace	1pm-3pm

For more information, please contact Carol McKay

Office Administrator

Tel: 01382 221 124

SMS: 07795 338 231

Email: employability@deafaction.org

National Deaf Children's Society Get Creative Day

14 October 2017

Taking Place at Motherwell, Scotland

8-15 years

A fun filled day of music for deaf young people! This event is suitable for young people with all levels of deafness from mild to profound.



The closing date for applications is **6 August 2017**.

For more information, please contact Siobhan at Siobhan.Murray@ndcs.org.uk or call NDCS at 0141 3547850

National Deaf Children's Society Winter Weekend 9-11 February 2018

Taking place: Nethybridge, Scotland

8-15 years

An exciting weekend packed with activities including skiing and swimming.

The closing date for applications is **1 December 2017**

Sports fundraising event chooses local sensory impaired charity as beneficiary



A local charity has been announced as a beneficiary of a prestigious fundraising event.

North East Sensory Services (NESS), which supports over 6,500 blind and deaf people in north-east Scotland, will benefit from Sportschallenge, after being chosen from a host of other good causes, for the event which take place on 14th September 2017.

Held this year at Ardoe House Hotel, Sportschallenge is a popular fundraising event organised by Simmons and Company International. The event has raised more than £350,000 for local charities since its inception in 2012, and regularly attracts audiences of over 500 business people. Sportschallenge consistently supports Maggie's Centre Aberdeen and Children's Aid Scotland. In addition, each year also a number of local community charities receive donations, and this year NESS has been selected as a beneficiary.

NESS, which has offices in Aberdeen, Elgin and Dundee, provides practical and emotional support to people with severe hearing and sight loss. The charity has been supporting people

in Aberdeen since 1879, and today provides social work services as well as a wide range of charity funded 'added value' services including group activities for children and young people. The NESS resource centre in Aberdeen has a gym and a popular café, and a library facility for service users.

Vacancies

[Equality Human Rights Commission Scotland](#)



Senior Associate.

Senior Associate (Scotland, Programmes)

Organisation: Equality and Human Rights Commission

Salary: £36,485

Salary info: Starting salary of £36,485. 36 hours per week, permanent.

Status: Full time

Closing date: 26 July 2017

Reference number: CD07

Location: Glasgow

British Deaf Association

Access & Inclusion (Dementia) Officer



British Deaf Association (BDA) Scotland is seeking to recruit an Access & Inclusion (Dementia) Officer for the Transforming the Deaf Dementia Experience project for 3 years.

The Access & Inclusion (Dementia) Officer will be responsible for setting up a new community interest initiative that supports Deaf people living with dementia, and their carers, in Scotland. This will support transformational and sustainable improvements in the quality of life and well-being of Deaf people living with dementia and their carers. The post involves setting up information, discussion events and training for Deaf people living with dementia, their carers and the Deaf community across Scotland.

Closing date for applications: **Monday 31st July 2017, 12pm noon.**

Interview dates: **9th - 11th August 2017**

For more information please contact Avril Hepner, Community Development Manager,
Cado.sthscot@bda.org.uk m/sms: 07814 386298
facetime: 07814 386298
oovoo: Avril Hepner

Or visit the website: <https://bda.org.uk/transforming-the-deaf-dementia-experience-new-project/>

TRAINING



AWARENESSbites on-line Deaf Awareness course

<http://www.scod.org.uk/scod-training/awarenessbites/>

SCoD has teamed up with **AWARENESSbites** to provide quality online learning and development to front-line and public facing staff who may not be able to attend face-to-face training courses

We are offering two packages:

Learn at your own speed – login and logout when suits and restart where you left off

The Package Contents:

Green package – £15 per user

– aimed at those who require to know the basics and may come across a deaf or deafblind person occasionally. This package can easily be completed in under 2 hours.

Purple package – £28 per user

– aimed at those who would require a little more detail and understanding and meet deaf or deafblind people more frequently within their day to day service provision. This package can take between 2.5 – 3.5 hours depending on activities taken.

If you would like to purchase packages, please contact us directly.

We would consider an organisational discount that offers value for money for large numbers of users.



Quality Assurance of Assessment Arrangements for Deaf (oral) and Visually Impaired Candidates: Tuesday, 12th September, 2017

This half day event will be of relevance to Teachers of the Deaf, Visual Impairment Teachers, Support for Learning Teachers, College Lecturers supporting students who are deaf (oral) or who have a visual impairment, and other practitioners supporting candidates in SQA Assessments and Exams.

In partnership with the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA), this event aims to provide the opportunity to discuss a range of assessment and exam issues relating to candidates who are deaf (oral) or who have a visual impairment. The aims of the event will be to:

- clarify the key principles underpinning the SQA policy in relation to assessment arrangements for candidates;
- outline SQA and Centre Quality Assurance responsibilities arising from key principles;
- consider SQA's Quality Assurance evidence requirements;
- provide opportunity for you to raise and discuss assessment issues for candidates.

There will be opportunities to ask/write down questions on the day if there are any specific issues/questions you would like to raise.

Presenters: Patricia McDonald, Research and Policy Manager, SQA

Teas and coffees will be provided

Course fee: FREE

Although the course is free, an application must be completed and sent in to the SSC to secure your place.

Applications are available to download from the following link:

<http://www.ssc.education.ed.ac.uk/courses/general/gsep17.html>

Colourful Semantics and Strategies to help a deaf child at school: Wednesday 30th August 2017

This course will be of interest to teachers of the deaf, mainstream teachers, educational psychologists, speech and language therapists, support staff, and parents. To secure your place please book before the end of June.

What is Colourful Semantics? Alison Bryan (creator of Colourful Semantics) will go through the programme to enable you to deliver the intervention in school.

Colourful Semantics is the 'meaning of the words' and this is made colourful by breaking down and colour coding different parts of a sentence. Colourful Semantics is a speech and language therapy intervention that indirectly works on developing a child's grammar through the use of:

- Spoken sentences
- Answering W/H questions
- Use of nouns, verbs, prepositions and adjectives
- Story telling skills
- Written sentences and language comprehension.

You will be able to work through the programme to encourage the child to create sentences. This is initially taught by focusing on sorting out colours, which will then progress to an understanding that there are different parts that make up a sentence.

The 4 key levels are:

Level 1 – Who? The Dog. Subject -(ORANGE)

Level 2 – What doing? Is playing with. Verb – (Yellow)

Level 3 – What? The Ball. Object (Green)

Level 4 – Where? In the Garden. Location (Blue)

Presenter: Alison Bryan, Independent Speech & Language Therapist.

Course fee:
£110

Further information and an application form to download are available via the following link:

<http://www.ssc.education.ed.ac.uk/courses/deaf/daug17.html>

SSC Course 5: The Challenges of Working with Deaf Children: mental health, autism, challenging behaviour & language deprivation: Monday, 13th November 2017

SSC
scottish sensory centre

This course will be of interest to Teachers of the deaf, mainstream teachers, educational psychologists, speech and language therapists, support staff and parents/carers.

Dr Sally Austen is a Consultant Clinical Psychologist who has been supporting deaf pupils and adults for over 20 years. From her experience she will discuss the challenges faced by deaf pupils who have autism, challenging behaviour and mental health difficulties. In each of these areas any links with language deprivation or communication difficulty will be explored.

The key focus of the day will be to identify the skills that professionals already have, that can be used in different ways or at different times to meet the needs of this complex client group.

Acknowledging the paucity of research in our field of work, Sally Austen will encourage a balance between evidence based information (research) and practical experience. She will encourage attenders to consider these areas of difficulty from cognitive, social, educational and psychological viewpoints – and consider the necessity for multi-professional collaboration.

For the well-being of the child, the professional and the parent a better understanding of the child's potential is recommended. This will include discussion of what success would look like.

Executive Functioning and parental trauma reactions are relatively new areas of research. Sally will suggest how evolving clinical and educational work in these areas may prove useful.

Presenter:

Dr Sally Austen, Consultant Clinical Psychologist BA (HONS), MSC,
C.PSYCHOL, AfBPsS www.austenpsychology.co.uk

Course fee:
£110

Applications are available to download from the following lib:

<http://www.ssc.education.ed.ac.uk/courses/deaf/dnov17.html>

GCIL Equality Academy

Are you mainstreaming equality in your operational services? Would you benefit from training?

We are happy to take this opportunity to provide you with more information about our range of innovative training covering key issues that include important equality themes.

We will be distributing our new brochure later in the year that details the wide range of training courses we deliver, but getting in touch now allows us to provide you with examples of our courses that cover general and specific issues. All our courses can be delivered in-house and tailored to the needs of each individual organisation and the practical needs of staff and service users.

Course examples:

Equality courses

- Equality law and good practice: developing awareness
- Developing effective impact assessments for the public and voluntary sectors
- Gathering equality data and asking the right questions
- Reporting and monitoring of equality issues (for Board and/or committee members)
- Mainstreaming equality issues throughout the recruitment and selection process
- Appropriate language and promoting respect for others – while dismantling the political correctness agenda
- Disability etiquette

General courses

- Developing data protection policies and effective action plans, including equality themes
- Writing to promote accessible information: reports and policies
- Customer care and equality issues
- Recruitment and Selection: how to incorporate equality themes

Please get in touch with us if any of these courses might be of interest and we will be pleased to provide more information. Call us on 0141 375 0464 or email: equalityacademy@gcil.org.uk. Course outlines for training scheduled to October 2017 can be found on our [website](#).

CINEMA/THEATRE



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<http://www.yourlocalcinema.com/films.html>

PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS, MOTIONS AND DEBATES



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Scottish Parliament is in recess until 3 September 2017.

Early day motion 134 ESA Work-Related Activity

Primary sponsor: Neil Gray (SNP, Airdrie and Shotts)

That this House notes with concern the findings of the Trussell Trust report Financial insecurity, food insecurity, and disability: The profile of people receiving emergency food assistance from The Trussell Trust Foodbank Network in Britain, published in June 2017, which show that 78 per cent of households surveyed were severely food insecure and that 50 per cent had gone without heating for more than four days in the last 12 months; further notes the findings of the report that that almost three times more households who were in the employment and support allowance (ESA) Work-Related Activity group were among food bank users than was the case among claimants in the general population; praises the hard work of food bank volunteers at the Trussell Trust and other food banks across the UK; believes that the cutting of the ESA Work-Related Activity component for new claimants after April 2017 will push more ESA claimants into poverty at a time of rising inflation; notes figures from the IFS in March 2017 that ESA claimants impacted by this change will lose up to £1,500 a year as a result; strongly condemns the Government's position that the abolition of the ESA Work-Related Activity component provides the right incentives for ESA claimants to move into work; and calls on the Government immediately to reverse this cut and reinstate the ESA Work-Related Activity component to ESA as a matter of urgency.

<http://www.parliament.uk/edm/2017-19/134>



Copy Deadline for the Next Issue

As always, the deadline is the end of this month.

Please forward your contributions for the next bulletin to: admin@scod.org.uk .

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