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ICON Week: 25th to 29th September 2023

Are you aware that this years ICON week is focusing on sharing ideas and best practice? This campaign aims to raise awareness of infant crying and how to cope, to support parents/carers and prevent serious injury, illness and even death of young babies as a result of Abusive Head Trauma that happens when someone shakes a baby. To access the programme of free webinars please click on the following link: **ICON**



Spotlight Week: 2nd to 6th October 2023

Have you heard about the Teeswide spotlight campaign on Modern Slavery & Sexual **Exploitation**? As part of this campaign there is a conference taking place on 4th Oct 2023 (from 9.15am to 1pm) to raise awareness of this largely hidden form of abuse that impacts both adults and children. All practitioners are encourage to attend. To book a place please click on the following link: **Spotlight**



Child Neglect: Challenges and Solutions

Have you read the article in Community Care: Working with children experiencing Neglect: Challenges and Solutions? Despite its prevalence in safeguarding cases, responding to neglect remains challenging for practitioners working with children experiencing Neglect.

To access the article please click on the following link: **Neglect**



Sibling Sexual Behaviour

Have you considered the latest guidance from the Centre of Expertise on Child Sexual Abuse in relation to sibling sexual behaviour? This guide aims to support practitioners with responding to inappropriate and abusive behaviour involving siblings.

To access the guidance please click on the following link: **Centre of Expertise**



School Exclusions & Child Exploitation

Have you listened to the BBC episode on school exclusions & child exploitation? This highlights that some children who are being excluded are falling under the radar and being targeted by gangs to sell drugs - sometimes with devastating consequences.

To access the episode please click on the following link: BBC

The Children's Society

The Good Childhood Report

Are you aware that too many children are unhappy with their lives? The Good Childhood Report from The Children's Society highlights that a third of children aged 10 to 17 who completed the survey are unhappy with at least one aspect of their life.

To access the report please click on the following link: **Childhood Report**



Mental Health

The Association for Child and Adolescent

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

Are you aware of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and do you understand the diagnosis? If not the ACAMH have produced a podcast discussion on FASD to assist you with gaining knowledge and understanding to support you in your role.

Twitter: #HSSCP1

To access the podcast please click on the following link: **ACAMH**



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Online Safety Bill

Do you know that the Online Safety Bill has now been passed? Do you know what this means for you as a practitioner? INEQE have produced a podcast on everything you need to know to help you in your role.

To access the podcast please click on the following link: **INEQE**



New Suicide Prevention Strategy

Are you aware of the governments strategy to reduce the number of suicides? This strategy delivers a firm commitment to see the number of suicides in England decrease within two and a half years at the very latest.

To access the strategy please click on the following link: **Goy.uk**



Sharing Information & Child Protection

Have you read the new guidance from the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) on sharing information to safeguard children? This guidance includes a ten step guide to understand information sharing in relation to safeguarding children.

To access the guidance please click on the following links: *ICO*



Neglect: Learning from Case Reviews:

Have you considered the latest learning from case reviews? To access the latest case reviews for September 2023 from NSPCC please click on the following link **NSPCC**

To access case reviews from a wide range of types of abuse please click on the following link: **NSPCC**



Tees Procedures

Have you checked out the latest procedure updates on the Tees Safeguarding Children Procedures website?

To access all the latest Tees safeguarding children procedures please click on the following link: https://www.teescpp.org.uk/



HSSCP Resources & Learning Opportunities

Are you aware that the latest HSSCP safeguarding children training programme for 2023-2024 is now available? HSSCP also has a wide range of safeguarding resources available in the professionals section of their website too.

For further information please click on the following link: <u>HSSCP</u> Information relating to the latest LSCPR's can be found at <u>LSCPR's</u>



TSAB Newsletter

Have you checked out the latest safeguarding adults newsletter produced by the Tees Safeguarding Adults Board (TSAB)?

To access all the TSAB newsletters please click on the following link: TSAB

Information on the latest safeguarding adults reviews can be found at: **SAR's**