

The Journey to Recovery:

Safeguarding Children Living With Trauma and Family Violence - Assessment, Analysis and Intervention

A Two-Day Conference

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The Conference

Recent high-profile safeguarding cases highlight the need for evidence-based practice: *'Information and evidence should be collected, and systematic observation assessed within the context of an ecological framework based on clearly understood developmental and psychosocial theories including the relationship and developmental histories and processes that have shaped parents, families and children'* (DCSF Research Report on Serious Case Reviews, Brandon 2008)

This conference focuses on assessment and intervention with children and families living in a climate of trauma and family violence. This includes:

- Families where there may be extensive recurrent patterns of violence between adults; verbal, sexual, or physical violence involving children
- Parenting capacities that may be affected by physical or mental health factors, or drug or alcohol abuse, disrupting children's care
- Extensive abuse of one or more children or multiple forms of maltreatment at various phases of development, causing physical, sexual, emotional harm and impairment of development

The core task for professionals where a child or young person has experienced significant harm is to assist them and their families or carers in their journey to recovery. For the professional the journey is one of discovery from the point of referral through the safeguarding and assessment process to planning and implementing interventions. This journey is one of increasing complexity with each step and requires a staged approach to assessment, planning and intervention which supports evidence-based, inter-disciplinary and child-focused work with children and their families.

The conference aims to provide:

- **A map** - for the terrain that needs to be covered in understanding the impact of living with trauma and family violence
- **Tools** - for evidence-based assessment and analysis and planning
- **Interventions** - introductory training on interventions which can assist children and families in the journey to recovery

Programme For Day 1

The Journey Towards Recovery – Assessment and Planning

Mapping the terrain: the knowledge base on trauma and family violence for assessment and intervention

Dr Arnon Bentovim, Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist & Child and Family Training

Equipment for making evidence-based assessments: tools for assessment, analysis and planning interventions

Liza Bingley Miller, National Training Coordinator, Child & Family Training and **Stephen Pizzey**, Independent Social Worker & Child and Family Training

Case examples from practice: using evidence-based assessment and planning tools in the context of safeguarding children

- *Initial and later stages of assessment*
Simon Tapp, Independent Social Worker, Children's Guardian & Child and Family Training
- *Creating a chronology from case records in complex child care cases using the GECA (Childhood Experience of Care and Abuse)*
Professor Antonia Bifulco, Royal Holloway University of London
- *Making an integrated child maltreatment and forensic assessment*
Dr Arnon Bentovim and **Rachel Edwards**, SWAAY

Talking to children using the In My Shoes Interview to assess a child's experience of maltreatment

Dr Rachel Calam, Reader in Clinical Psychology, University of Manchester, and **David Glasgow**, Forensic Clinical Psychologist, both members of the In My Shoes Development Team

Training Workshop: Assessing attachments in adults using the Attachment Style Interview-Child Care

Professor Antonia Bifulco, Royal Holloway University of London

Programme For Day 2

Steps in the Journey Towards Recovery – Towards an Integrated Treatment Approach for Children and Families Living with Trauma and Family Violence

What can we learn from the outcome research on treatment for child maltreatment? Effective approaches by frontline and specialist practitioners

Dr David Jones, Department of Psychiatry, Warneford Hospital, University of Oxford

Two Linked Training Workshops: The targets, goals and activities associated with psychosocial care for the consequences of maltreatment

- **Treating the abused child's emotional distress – post traumatic symptoms, depression, shame and anger – using Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioural Therapy**
Lucy Berliner, MSW, Harborview Medical Center, Seattle, USA
- **Treating externalising problems in the child and their relationships with others – behaviour problems, aggression, family conflict and violence – using Alternatives for Families – A Cognitive Behavioural Treatment (formerly, Abuse Focused CBT)**
Dr David Kolko, Depts. of Psychiatry and Pediatrics, University of Pittsburgh, USA

Training Workshop: Parenting training for foster carers caring for maltreated children using the 'Fostering Changes' programme

Professor Stephen Scott, **Kathy Blakeby** and **Caroline Bengo** National Academy for Parenting, UK

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