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This quarterly newsletter is produced by [the Children, Young People & Social Care Analytical Services Unit](#) (including Research, Statistics and Economics). It is primarily targeted at Scottish Government staff, but is also available to external partners and stakeholders, so feel free to circulate.

The newsletter is by no means comprehensive, but simply a reflection of what we have found of particular interest and relevance in the last three months. It covers analytical publication*, other key reports recently published, top news, and events. It focuses on Scotland, but also includes UK and international items where particularly significant. We have colour-coded the items listed to guide our readers through the policy areas we cover; please see the [key](#) below.

We want this newsletter to be useful to you and would therefore welcome your comments and suggestions, by email to [Marie-Amélie Viatte](#), our editor. Equally, if you would like your name to be added to the distribution list or taken off it, please let Marie-Amélie know.



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Key:

We have colour-coded the items listed to guide our readers through the policy areas as follows:

C&F Children and families including child protection, Hidden Harm agenda, children's rights, and integrated children's services

EYP Early years and parenting including family support, Sure Start, pre-school education & childcare, extended schools

YJu Youth justice including Children's Hearings

LAC Looked after children

Ad Adoption

YW Youth work including young people's engagement / participation and volunteering

SWs Social Work Services – education, training and workforce

ALL All of the above

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1. Analytical publications

1.1 Scottish Government (formerly known as Scottish Executive)

C&F Scottish Executive *Report on Implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Scotland 1999–2007*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/07/30114126>

C&F Scottish Government *Statistics Publication Notice Child Protection Statistics 2006–07*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/stats/bulletins/00609>

C&FEYPLAC Scottish Government Social Research *A Qualitative Exploration of the Links Between Self-Harm and Attempted Suicide in Young People*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/09/13094713/0>

EYP Scottish Government *Statistics Publication Notice Pre-school and Childcare Statistics 2007*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/stats/bulletins/00610>

EYP Scottish Executive *Evaluation of Making The Difference Leaflets* (on the difference parents can make to their children's learning)
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/07/27101244/0>

EYP Scottish Executive Research Findings *National Review of the Early Years and Childcare Workforce Consultation: Analysis of Childminders' and Childcare Workers' Responses*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/07/25092713/0>

YJu Scottish Government Social Research *Use of Antisocial Behaviour Orders in Scotland*
Research Findings <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/09/19160758/0>
Full report <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/09/19160705/0>

YJuLAC Scottish Government *Statistics Publication Notice 'Secure Accommodation Statistics 2006–07'*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/09/11112639/0>

LAC Scottish Executive *National Fostering and Kinship Care Strategy – Analysis of consultation responses*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/07/05133153/0>

LAC Scottish Government *Review of Research on Vulnerable Young People and Their Transitions to Independent Living (A research review focusing on young people who have been looked after at home and those who have been looked after and accommodated by Local Authorities)*
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/08/23161736/0>



1.2 Others

C&F Scottish Parliament Information Centre (SPICE) *Children's Services research briefing*

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/business/research/briefings-07/SB07-40.pdf>

C&F 1 in 9 – The Scottish Coalition for Young Runaways *A scoping study of services for young runaways*

Report summary: http://www.aberlour.org.uk/pdfs/Scoping_study_summary.pdf

C&FEYP Research in Practice 'Champions for Children series' *Promoting Mental Health for Children across Children's Services*

<http://www.rip.org.uk/publications/champions.asp>

C&FEYP Barnardo's *Index of Wellbeing for Children in Scotland*

http://www.barnardos.org.uk/wellbeing_for_children_in_scotland

C&FEYP DCSF (July 2007) new research on Sure Start looking at family and parenting support, domestic abuse and safeguarding children's welfare.

Understanding the contribution of Sure Start local programmes to the task of safeguarding children's welfare

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/NESS2007FR026.pdf>

Summary – understanding the contribution...

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/NESS2007SF026.pdf>

Sure Start local programmes and domestic abuse

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/NESS2007FR025.pdf>

Summary – Sure Start local programmes and domestic abuse

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/NESS2007SF025.pdf>

Family and Parenting Support in Sure Start local programmes

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/NESS2007FR023.pdf>

Summary – Family and Parenting Support in Sure Start local programmes

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/NESS2007SF023.pdf>

C&FEYPLAC Research in Practice 'Children and Young People: Rights to action research briefing' on Domestic Violence and Child Abuse

<http://www.rip.org.uk/publications/welsh/welshcf6.asp>

C&FEYPLAC Joseph Rowntree Foundation *Experiences of poverty and educational disadvantage*

<http://www.jrf.org.uk/knowledge/findings/socialpolicy/2123.asp>

EYP The Children's Society Childhood Enquiry – survey reveals pressure on family relationships

<http://www.childrensociety.org.uk/all+about+us/media+centre/latest+news/the+good+childhood+inquiry/Good+Childhood+Friends.htm>



EYP Council of Europe (2007) *Views on positive parenting and non-violent upbringing* (results a two-day consultation with children and parents from 19 countries)

http://book.coe.int/EN/ficheouvrage.php?PAGEID=36&lang=EN&produit_aliasid=221
[1](#)

EYP National Consumer Council (July 2007) *Watching, wanting and wellbeing: exploring the links*

http://www.ncc.org.uk/nccpdf/poldocs/NCC167rr_watching_wanting_wellbeing.pdf

EYP**YJuYW** 4 Children *Make Space Youth Review – Transforming the offer for young people in the UK*

Full report: <http://www.4children.org.uk/information/show/ref/1028>

Summary report: <http://www.4children.org.uk/information/show/ref/1021>

C&FYJuLAC Maggie Blyth, Enver Solomon and Kerry Baker *Young people and 'risk'*

https://www.policypress.org.uk/catalog/product_info.php?cPath=&products_id=1386

LAC Stanley, Nicky (2007) *Young people's and carers' perspectives on the mental health needs of looked-after adolescents* in 'Child and Family Social Work' (year – volume – issue – page: 2007 – 12 – 3 – 258) (SE staff should contact the library for copies of the article)

LAC McLeod, Alison (2007) *Whose agenda? Issues of power and relationship when listening to looked-after young people* in 'Child and Family Social Work' (year – volume – issue – page: 2007 – 12 – 3 – 278) (SE staff should contact the library for copies of the article)

LAC Thomas Coram Research Unit *An exploratory study of private fostering*

<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/TCRU-03-07.pdf>

LAC VCS / NCERCC / SCA (2007) *The impact of market forces on the operation and capacity of the residential child care sector*

Announcement: http://www.vcsengage.org.uk/baseline_studies_and_reports.aspx

Full report: http://www.ncb.org.uk/vcs/NCERCC_Full_Report.pdf

LAC Thomson A I (2007) *Looked After Children: Non-local authority placements and meeting educational needs* in *Educational Psychology in Practice*, 23(3), 273 – 282

<http://www.informaworld.com/smpp/content?content=10.1080/02667360701507350>



2. Other key documents newly published

2.1 Scotland

ALL Scottish Executive (August 2007) *A Report on Implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Scotland 1999–2007*
www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2007/07/30114126/10

YW HMIe *Making a Difference in Scotland's Communities: A Five Year Review of Community Learning and Development in Scotland*
<http://www.hmie.gov.uk/documents/publication/Making%20a%20difference%20in%20Scotland's%20communities%202007.pdf>

2.2 UK

ALL Sustainable Development Commission (August 2007) *Every Child's Future Matters*
http://www.sd-commission.org.uk/pages/edu_cayp.html

C&F New Philanthropy Capital (July 2007) *Not seen and not heard – Child abuse, a guide for donors & funders*
http://www.philanthropycapital.org/html/Research/child_abuse.php

C&FEYPYJuLAC Home Office *Drugs: Our Community, Your Say – A Consultation Paper*
Consultation covers Scotland and the rest of the UK. It closes on 19 October 2007.
<http://drugs.homeoffice.gov.uk/publication-search/drug-strategy/drug-strategy-consultation.pdf>

C&FEYP UK Government – DCSF Research Report *Cost Benefit Analysis of Interventions with Parents*
<http://www.dfes.gov.uk/research/data/uploadfiles/DCSF-RW008.pdf>

EYP DCSF (July 2007) *Teenage Pregnancy: Improving Outcomes for Teenage Parents and their Children*
<http://www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/resources-and-practice/IG00250/>

EYPLAC Community Care special issue on parenting
<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/2007/07/05/105041/parenting-special.html>

YJu Rainer / Reset (August 2007) *The Business Case for Youth Resettlement – the cost and benefits of effective resettlement*
Summary <http://www.reset.uk.net/graphics/portfolio/6186.pdf>
Full report <http://www.reset.uk.net/partners/managementnotes/>

YW HM Treasury / DCSF (July 2007) *Ten Year Youth Strategy (England only): Aiming High for Young People: A Ten Year Strategy for Positive Activities*



http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/media/2/8/cyp_tenyearstrategy_260707.pdf

SWs The Children's Workforce Development Council has produced updated guides for practitioners and managers in England on the Lead Professional.

<http://www.everychildmatters.gov.uk/resources-and-practice/IG00064/>



3. Top news

ALL New Department for Children, Schools and Families – Ed Balls appointed Secretary of State

<http://www.gnn.gov.uk/Content/Detail.asp?ReleaseID=295555&NewsAreaID=2>

C&F Children Now reports on the launch in England of a local government review into bureaucracy in children's services

<http://www.childrennow.co.uk/news/index.cfm?fuseaction=details&UID=ef13313e-a17a-4796-83a1-9af2a60b50ce>

C&FEYP Scottish Executive moves to improve access to nursery places and further / higher education for children of asylum families

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/08/03082811>

C&FYJuYW House of Commons All-Party Parliamentary Group on Youth Affairs to conduct a review of the problems faced by disengaged young people

http://www.ypnmagazine.com/news/index.cfm?fuseaction=full_news&ID=14888

EYP Scottish Executive announces pilot for free school meals *Free meals on the menu for Scots tots* <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/07/11120943>

EYP Scottish Executive announces the launch of parent councils *Promoting parents' role in education*

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/08/17113800>

C&FEYPLAC DCSF *Gov pledges positive activities for disadvantaged young people*

http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/pns/DisplayPN.cgi?pn_id=2007_0163

LAC Scottish Executive announces new funding for foster and kinship carers

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/07/05101004>

LAC Scottish Executive announces new funding for residential establishments for looked after children

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/08/08090403>

YW Scottish Executive announces funding for youth projects

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/08/15110849>

YW Scottish Government announces more funding for youth projects

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2007/09/12112305>

YWALL Launch of Nuffield Review/Rathbone 'Engaging Youth Enquiry' (NB this doesn't currently include Scotland).

<http://www.nuffield14-19review.org.uk/cgi/news/news.cgi?t=template.htm&a=51>



4. Forthcoming events (ordered by date)

C&FEYPLAC Scottish Association of Drug & Alcohol Action Teams and NOFAS UK
Hidden Harm – The Untold Alcohol Story: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders in Childhood (FASD)

02 October – Glasgow

http://www.saadatonline.co.uk/word_docs/FASD_Registration_Form.pdf

C&FEYPLAC NOFAS-UK *The untold alcohol story – fetal alcohol spectrum disorder*

04 October – London

<http://www.nofas-uk.org/PDF/Conference%204%20October%202007.pdf>

C&FEYPYJuLACYW Kids Company *No bullsh*t: what matters to every child*

10 October – London

<http://www.kidsco.org.uk/conference.html>

C&FLAC Community Care *Live Children and Families conference*

11 October – London

<http://www.communitycare.co.uk/cclivechildrenandfamilies/index.htm>

C&FEYPLAC Parenting Forum NI *Turning lives around – Policy in Practice – what works?*

15 October – Belfast

<http://www.parentsadvicecentre.org/projects/parentingforum/documents/confinfo07.pdf>

C&FEYPLAC Family and Parenting Institute *Turning lives around: what works for vulnerable families*

15 October – London

<http://www.familyandparenting.org/turninglivesaround>

C&FEYP Community Care *Engaging Fathers in Children's Services*

16 October – London

http://www.lexisnexis.co.uk/conferencesandtraining/gatehouse/gateconf_con/carematters_301107.htm

LAC Capita's *Improving the Life Chances of Looked After Children*

16 October – London

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/NR/rdonlyres/F5E8828E-CC22-47F5-B995-0258B5A3DF80/0/TSPPLookedAfterChildren.pdf>

C&F *National Children and Adult Services Conference 2007*

17-19 October 2007 – Bournemouth

<http://www.ncasc.co.uk/>

C&FEYPYW Holyrood Conferences *Protection of Vulnerable Groups – the new vetting and barring scheme*



22 October 2007 – Edinburgh

<http://conferences.holyrood.com/content/view/170/>

C&FEYPLAC KC Jones *Event Name: Safe and Sound?* (national conference is for those working with sexually exploited children and young people)

24 October – Derby

<http://www.kc-jones.co.uk/events/Safe-and-Sound-National-Conference/>

YJuLAC European Scientific Association for Residential and Foster Care for Children and Adolescents (Eusarf) International conference *Interventions for Troubled and Troubling Youth: Lessons from Outcome Research*

October 25 – Leuven, Belgium

<http://ppw.kuleuven.be/ortho/Eusarf/> (click on ‘planned activities’ on the left of the page)

YJu Neil Stewart Associates *5th Annual Youth Justice: Prevention & Early Intervention*

25 October – Edinburgh

<http://www.neilstewartassociates.com/ss140/>

C&FYJuLAC Capita’s *Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEETs) Conference Raising Expectations*

October 29 – London

<http://www.capitaconferences.co.uk/NR/rdonlyres/D8A171C9-E67B-4FF0-8D7A-0C6753D1D932/0/TSPNEETs.pdf>

C&FEYPLACSWs University of Edinburgh CRFR *New Researchers in Families and Relationships*

30 October – Edinburgh

<http://www.crfr.ac.uk/events/newresconference.htm>

C&FEYPSWs Community Care in association with the NSPCC *Sexually Harmful Behaviour in Young People: Managing risk and developing treatment services*

31 October – London

http://www.lexisnexis.co.uk/conferencesandtraining/gatehouse/gateconf_con/shb_311007.htm

C&FEYF Children in Scotland *Healthy, happy and wise: working together for the wellbeing of Scotland's children*

01 & 02 November – Peebles

http://www.childreninscotland.org.uk/html/tra_tshow.php?ref=1046

C&FEYPLAC BASPCAN *Safeguarding children in a changing landscape*

08 November – Belfast

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/Belfastbookingprogramme.doc>



LAC BAAF research symposium *Family is best? The future of family and friends care*

13 November – London

http://www.baaf.org.uk/res/training/details/071113_symp.shtml

ALL University of Southampton *Launch of the Child Well-Being Research Centre and Conference on Child Well-Being*

14 November - Southampton

http://www.outcome-evaluation.org/news_attachments/McAuley_PRELIMINARY%20NOTICE2.pdf

C&FEYPLAC ISPCAN European regional conference *Supporting Prevention and Recovery from Child Abuse and Neglect: Role of Professionals, Communities and Families Event*

18-21 November – Lisbon, Portugal

<http://www.ispcan.org/euroconf2007/>

YJuC&F MacKay Hannah *Young Offenders in Scotland: is prevention the cure?*

21 November – Edinburgh

<http://www.mackayhannah.com/eManage/uploads/PYO%20Final.pdf>

C&FYW MacKay Hannah's *Second Annual Youth and Substance Misuse in Scotland: effective prevention, services & alternatives for health & well-Being*

22 November – Edinburgh

<http://www.mackayhannah.com/eManage/uploads/YSMII%20Final.pdf>

C&F BASPCAN *Whatever happened to child sexual abuse? 20 years on from Cleveland*

29 November – London

<http://www.baspcan.org.uk/CSABookingProgrammewordversion.doc>

LAC Community Care *The impact of Care Matters: Time for Change, on Looked-After Children*

30 November – London

<http://www.lexisnexis.co.uk/conferencesandtraining/gatehouse/conferences.htm>

LAC *The Specialist Accommodation Forum Annual Conference*

5 & 7 December 2007 – Edinburgh

<http://www.tsaf.org.uk/wordpress/archives/category/saf-conference-2007/>

C&F Children and Young People Now *Best Practice In Safeguarding Children*

11 December – Manchester

<http://www.safeguardingchildren.com>

ALL University of Hull *Future directions in children's research: One day research seminar for academics, post graduates, researchers and practitioners*

12TH December 2007 – Hull



For further info including seminar programme, contact Tina Taylor, Institute for Learning, University of Hull – email t.taylor@hull.ac.uk
more details here in due course: <http://www.tsaf.org.uk>

C&FEYP NIACE *Building Family Capital* – Opening up the debate work with parents, carers and families

17 & 18 January 2008 – Leicester

<http://www.niace.org.uk/conferences/forthcoming.htm>

C&FLAC European Scientific Association for Residential and Foster Care for Children and Adolescents (Eusarf), 2008 International Conference *Assessing the “Evidence-base” of Intervention for Vulnerable Children and Their Families*

26–29 March 2008 – Padova, Italy

<http://www.outcome-evaluation.org/eusarf2008/en/.html>

LAC CCFR (Loughborough University) *8th International Looking After Children Conference: Transforming Lives – Improving Outcomes*

7–9 July 2008 – Oxford

<http://www.lboro.ac.uk/research/ccfr/Transforminglivesconference/>

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