



## HEALTH GROUP CONFERENCE

### **More than the sum of their parts...** *responding to the complexity of our looked after and adopted children*

Friday 28 September, 2018  
Apex City Quay Hotel, Dundee  
9.50am – 4.30pm

#### Theme

Looked after children have never had as much written about them as they do today. It is expected that all aspects of their family, personal histories and personal development are known and understood. Professionals and carers are charged with working together to ensure that health assessments and care planning provide for the complexity of each child's mental and physical health needs. We intend that each child is offered sensitive responsive and tailored emotional care and we aim to achieve a sense of permanence and predictability for the child at the earliest opportunity. Yet can we be sure we really know each child and how to care for them? Do we take account of how each child is impacted by their journey through care? Can we be sure that what we provide for children will ameliorate the impact of past adversity?

This conference will explore some of the complexities that can impact the child who requires substitute family care—from genetic vulnerability and teratogens encountered in utero, to adverse early childhood experiences and the significant extra challenges of growing up as a looked after or adopted child.

#### Speakers and topics will include:

**PAUL SHEILS**, Professor of Geroscience Epigenetics Section, Glasgow University  
*Using epigenics to assess human health trajectories*

**EMILY TAYLOR**, Senior Lecturer in Clinical Psychology, Edinburgh University  
**AILSA MORRISON**, Trainee Clinical Psychologist  
*Attachment and Impermanence: How carers navigate relationships with young people in alternative care contexts*

**JENNIFER SHIELDS**, Clinical Psychologist Foetal Alcohol Assessment and Support Team, Rainbow House, Ayrshire Central Hospital  
*Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder - what has Scotland learned so far?*

**MARYELEN AND PAULA MCPHAIL**, Foster carer/adoptive parent and daughter  
*Living with FASD*

**NANCY GILBERT**, Director of SCS Training, Therapeutic Counsellor and Care 'Graduate'  
*The importance of relationships in healing developmental trauma*

**CHARLOTTE ANDREW**, Youth and Community Engagement Manager, Three Circles Fostering  
**JACOB SIBLEY**, Co-Director, Three Circles Fostering  
**TARA HEWITT**, Leadership and Inclusion Consultant  
*The voice of Trans-youth in Care - experiences from health and foster care*

#### Who should attend

Medical advisers to Local Authorities, Voluntary Adoption Agencies and Independent Fostering Agencies, Looked after Children's nurses, social workers, social work managers, panel co-ordinators, legal advisers to Local Authorities and Adoption & Fostering Panel Members.

# AFA SCOTLAND HEALTH GROUP CONFERENCE

**More than the sum of their parts...**

***responding to the complexity of our looked after and adopted children***

Date: Friday 28 September, 2018

Venue: Apex City Quay Hotel, 1 West Victoria Dock Road, Dundee DD1 3JP

## DELEGATE INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary/Disability Access Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT METHOD

Billing Address/invoice: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Member rate £190.00 + VAT**

*(For those who work for an organisation that is a corporate member of AFA Scotland, which includes all Local Authorities)*

**Individual rate £170.00 + VAT**

*(For individual members of AFA Scotland)*

**Non-Member rate £230.00 + VAT**

Please invoice:  Remittance enclosed:

***Cheque (including VAT) made payable to AFA Scotland***

**Please return your completed form to:**

Brenda Reilly, Business Support & Finance Manager

AFA Scotland, Foxglove Offices/Gf2

14 Links Place, Edinburgh EH6 7EZ

Tel: 0131 322 8490

Email: [info@afascotland.com](mailto:info@afascotland.com)

## CANCELLATION POLICY

After receipt of written confirmation of place allocated	25% of fee
Cancellation between two and four weeks prior to the date	50% of fee
Cancellation between one week and two weeks prior to the date	75% of fee
Cancellation within one week of the date	100% of fee

## OFFICE USE ONLY

Invoice Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_

We will store your details and may want to contact you in the future with more information about our service and activities. Please tick here if you do not want us to do this. We will not pass your information on to a third party without your permission. Data Protection Act 1998.