

### LEGAL CONFERENCE BOOKING FORM

# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? Supporting children, families and relationships into the future

Date: Friday 5 November 2021 Venue: Online Platform – MS Teams

Cost: £85.00 + VAT Time: 09.45am – 2.00pm

Adoption, Permanence and Kinship Care Orders are just the beginning for children and families moving towards the hope of a settled life. We know that ongoing support and advice from professionals is vital in sustaining these relationships. To promote effectiveness of decisions and planning for children and families we will look at what happens next on the child's journey in permanence under kinship care or permanence orders or adoption and thereafter, moving into adulthood.

This year's legal conference will focus on the impact of the decisions made on the child and family where the child moves into permanence or ceases to be a looked after child. This will support practitioners in future proofing plans in light of the experience and knowledge that our Speakers will share.

#### **SPEAKERS**

- Derek Pyle, Sheriff Principal for Grampian, Highlands and Islands
  - As well as having enjoyed an extensive judicial career, Sheriff Principal Pyle has, with his wife, fostered children for over 11 years. This will offer delegates a unique insight from one of Scotland's leading decision makers who also has first- hand knowledge of the care system in Scotland and the lived experience of those involved.
- Claire Anne McFadden, Partner, J K Cameron Solicitors
  Claire Anne will reflect on her years of representing adopters and local authorities, particularly how to anticipate and avoid confusion and conflict in the future.
- Dr Ariane Critchley-Morris, Researcher & Lecturer, Stirling University

  Ariane will refer to research into what happens to the birth family once the child has been permanently removed from their care. This will help us to understand and support families moving forward and look at the continued role birth families can play in the child's life.
- Pamela Graham, Head of Learning & Development (Staf)
   Scottish Throughcare and Aftercare Forum (Staf) is Scotland's national membership organisation for all of those involved in the lives of young people leaving care. Pamela will discuss what happens to young people leaving care and the current provisions under the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014.

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

We are sure that this will be an informative and thought-provoking day where delegates will have the opportunity to discuss their own experiences and views in break-out groups and directly with our speakers.

We expect the conference to be of particular interest to local authority and private practice practitioners, Advocates, Safeguarders, Children's Reporters, Child Advocacy workers, VAAs, IFPs, medical advisers and social work professionals.

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