



AFA250

## Legal Adoption and Fostering Forum Conference

### The Child in Permanence - Contact and Relationships

Friday 19 June 2020  
Double Tree by Hilton, Dundee  
10.00am – 4.30pm

#### Theme

With decision making about continuing contact remaining one of the most complex and contested areas of practice, the focus for this year's conference will be on the child's relationship with their birth family during and after the Permanence process. The conference will bring together an outstanding group of speakers to highlight what research and practice tells us works best for the child and what the legal considerations are, in order to inform and guide practitioners involved in making and applying the decisions in this highly emotive area of permanence and adoption.

#### Speakers will include:

- **Sheriff Aisha Anwar, Sheriff, Glasgow and Strathkelvin Sheriff Court**  
*will provide a view from the bench*
- **Professor Elsbeth Neil, UEA**  
*foremost academic in this field who will discuss her longitudinal study, Contact after Adoption*
- **Dr Katherine Edward, Clinical Psychologist**  
*will return due to popular demand to share her thoughts from the child and family's perspective.*
- **Jackie McRae, Practice & Partnership Lead, Children's Hearings Scotland**  
*who will look at considerations in decision-making in children's hearings*

The day will again be chaired by **Lynda J Brabender QC**, who specialises in family and child law and public law as it relates to children.

#### Who should attend

This informal, informative and popular annual event will appeal to a wide range of delegates including solicitors for local authorities and in private practice, members of the judiciary, social workers, safeguarders, curators ad litem, childrens' reporters, panel members, foster carers, adopters, educationalists and health professionals.

# AFA SCOTLAND LEGAL ADOPTION & FOSTERING FORUM CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Date: Friday 19 June 2020  
Time: Registration: 9.30am  
Conference: 10.00am – 4.30pm  
Venue: Double Tree by Hilton, Dundee, DD2 5JT

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