RECENT SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS
(click on the links below to take you to full reports)

- Tacking inequalities in the early years: key messages from 10 years of the growing up in Scotland study—Tuesday, October 6, 2015
- Growing up in Scotland: The circumstances and experiences of 3 year old children living in Scotland in 2007/08 and 2013—Tuesday, October 6, 2015
- Universal Health Visiting Pathway in Scotland - Pre Birth to Pre School—Monday, October 26, 2015
- Consultation on Complaints Concerning Functions Relating to the Named Person and Child’s Plan—Tuesday, December 1, 2015
- Mental health and wellbeing among adolescents in Scotland: profile and trends—Tuesday, November 3, 2015
- Equality Impact Assessment - Children, Young People and Families Early Intervention and Adult Learning and Empowering Communities Funds—Thursday, November 3, 2015
- Proposals for the creation of an Offence of Wilful Neglect or Ill-treatment with regard to services for Children under the age of 18—Further Engagement: Scottish Government Response and Analysis—Thursday, December 3, 2015
- Main Report of the National Review of Primary Care Out of Hours Services—Monday, November 30, 2015
- Getting It Right For Looked After Children And Young People Strategy—Thursday, November 26, 2015
- Scottish Government Response to an Independent Review of the Scottish Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) and Out of School Care (OSC) Workforce—Friday, December 4, 2015
- Children’s development at the start of school in Scotland and the progress made during their first school year: An analysis of PIPS baseline and follow-up assessment data—Research Findings—Wednesday, January 6, 2016
- Ready to Act - A transformational plan for Children and young people, their parents, carers and families who require support from allied health professionals (AHPs)—Monday, January 18, 2016
- Government response to the ‘complaints concerning functions relating to the named person and child’s plan—web only—Tuesday, January 12, 2016

Recent Scottish Government Consultations

1. The Tribunals (Scotland) Act 2014: Consultation on 2 sets of Draft Regulations which make provision for: 1) a time limit within which to seek permission to appeal a decision of the Scottish Tribunals and Rules of Procedure for the Upper Tribunal; and 2) Offences in the Scottish Tribunals. Details....
2. The Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007: Section 35 (2) and (3). Details....
3. Scottish Law Commissions Report on Adults with Incapacity. Details....
**Initial Referral Discussion Pilot (East Dun, Glasgow City, Inverclyde, Renfrewshire, East Renfrewshire)**

A pilot IRD project is currently running (January—March 2016).

An IRD is a discussion between agencies where a concern has been raised about a child or young person who has suffered or is at risk of harm or abuse and requires protection. It is often the first stage of a joint assessment following a referral to Social Work or the Police. It allows information to be shared early and also should consider whether the child has any health needs or requires a medical examination. This may be a new concern on an existing case, a new referral or involve an accumulation of concerns.

Currently this will involve Child Protection Advisors (CPAs) co-ordinating the health contribution to the IRDs. On receipt of notification of an IRD, as per normal practice, they will review available NHSGGC information to share with Social Work and/or Police when there are concerns about a child. Social Work will contact the Health Visitor/GP as per normal practice to discuss any ongoing involvement with the family.

The Child Protection Unit will be monitoring and reviewing any impact this pilot may have and will circulate the findings from the evaluation.

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**Recent Journal Publications**

- The Politics of Child Protection: Contemporary Developments and Future Directions.
- Improving Empathy in the Prevention of Sexual Abuse Against Children and Youngsters.
- Guidelines for Conducting a Victim-Sensitive Interview.
- The Successful Reunification of Abused and Neglected Looked After Children with Their Families: A Case-File Audit.
- Stop It Now! A Pilot Study Into the Limits and Benefits of a Free Helpline Preventing Child Sexual Abuse.

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Please note that some posters and leaflets are being updated and current availability is shown below:

**Posters & Leaflets Provided by Child Protection Unit**

- GIRFEC
- CPU Leaflet

**Posters and Leaflets Provided by Glasgow Child Protection Committee**

We are currently low in stock of the information booklets below (only Green and Orange available within the CPU) in the meantime they can be accessed online via the Glasgow CPC Website (click here to access). The telephone number for the Scottish Childrens Reporters and the Glasgow & Partners Emergency Social Work Services have been changed and will need updated on any current supplies you may have (see label template provided)

- Glasgow CPC - Information for Parents Booklets (Green)
- Glasgow CPC - Protecting Children info for Service Booklet (Orange)
- Glasgow CPC - General Information Booklet (Dark Purple)
- Glasgow CPC - Trafficking Booklet (Purple)
- Glasgow CPC - Posters (smiley faces)
- Glasgow CPC—Leaflet for Children (CPC Children’s fold up card)

The Child Protection Unit is available to all staff groups within NHSGGC & Clyde to offer support and advice on any issues regarding Child Protection.

The Child Protection Unit was established in June 2005 with a dedicated staff to improve access to advice and support for all the staff who work within our health board, and to raise the profile of Child Protection more generally within the wider community.
CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

CPU offers a range of methodologies for the delivery of training.

1. Face to face training can be booked by filling out the request form which is available on our website on staff net - we will then allocate your request and get back to you to confirm
2. Our generic calendar dates for CPU are now available, please contact the Training Coordinator for more details — YKH-CPTRAINING@ggc.scot.nhs.uk
3. Interagency training for 2016 is now available, please access via the following link — CPC Interagency Training
4. We also have an online suite of Tier 2 and 3 training which we are continuing to develop, courses currently available online are:

   - Induction
   - Report Writing and Record Keeping
   - Child Protection and Parental Substance Misuse
   - Child Protection and Parental Mental Health
   - Working with un-cooperative families
   - Emergency Department Module
   - Child Protection Annual Update
   - Child Protection and Chronologies
   - National Child Protection Guidance
   - Child Protection Foundation
   - Children’s Hearing (Scotland 2011)
   - Case Conference
   - Parental Learning Disability
   - Risk Assessment
   - Attachment
   - Domestic Abuse
   - Learning From Enquiries
   - Attachment & Parenting
   - Court Skills
   - Cultural Awareness
   - NHSGGC Significant Case Reviews
   - Child Sexual Exploitation

Click on the links above to take you to the Learn Pro site.
Please check the CPU website on staff net for regular updates!! - NHSGGC Child Protection Unit

Safeguarding Children Recognition and Response—13th June, Learning and Education Centre, Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, 8.30am—5.30pm

A nationally standardised, interactive one-day course Recognition & Response in Child Protection has been developed by Royal College of Paediatrics & Child Health (RCPCH), National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) and the Advanced Life Support Group (ALSG).

The course has been developed for doctors in training mainly in paediatrics and accident & emergency, although doctors in training working in general practice and other specialty areas may find aspects of the course relevant. It may be possible for other groups to access the course, if you are unsure about your eligibility, please contact ALSG (cpcourses@alsg.org).

Historical Child Abuse Inquiry, Scotland

The intention to establish a Historical Child Abuse Inquiry was announced by the Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning, Angela Constance MSP, on 17 December 2014. The enquiry will investigate the nature and extent of abuse of children whilst in care in Scotland up until December 2014. It will consider the extent to which institutions and bodies with legal responsibility for the care of children failed in their duty to protect children in care from abuse, and in particular to identify any systemic failures in fulfilling that duty. It will examine how abuse affected and still affects these victims in the long term, and how in turn it affects their families. It will consider whether further changes in practice, policy or legislation are necessary in order to protect children in care in Scotland from such abuse in future and will report within 4 years of the date of its establishment.

NEWS WITH SCOTLAND   (click on link to access website)

The Scottish Government have recently launched a campaign to raise awareness of child sexual exploitation.
Details:

Upcoming Events:-
- Child Protection Scotland: Facing Future Challenges - 3rd March, Edinburgh
- Getting It Right...........Keeping your child safe - 3rd March, Perth Playhouse Cinema
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