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# WELCOME

## *I am absolutely delighted to welcome you to EIF's national conference Putting evidence into action*



Dear delegate,

I am absolutely delighted to welcome you to EIF's national conference. This milestone event brings together people from different disciplines and sectors – mental health, early childhood, economics, neuroscience – across the country and indeed the world. It's an opportunity to share expertise and insights about how to embed effective early intervention approaches to make a difference to children and young people's lives, especially for those at risk. Just as importantly, it is an opportunity to meet other people who are passionate about early intervention and share ideas and experiences.

We live in challenging and changing times. New needs and risks for children and families are emerging. In some parts of the country the pressure on children's social care budgets is substantially reducing investment in early intervention. We know that effective early intervention should be an important part of the solution to meeting those rising needs at a time of constrained resources. Today is a chance to explore what needs to be in place for early intervention to make an impact on some of

the critical issues we face as a society: how to increase social mobility, help the most vulnerable, support family relationships and integrate services around the family and the child.

EIF, now in its fourth year, has built the foundations of a strong and evolving evidence base on early childhood development, interparental relationships and social and emotional skills. Our evidence panel and wider network of academics, researchers, practitioners and providers have generously contributed their knowledge and experience. We have a thriving network in 40 local areas across the country who are pioneering a range of approaches to early intervention, with some putting it at the heart of what they do. There is an appetite to test and learn from different parts of the UK and internationally.

We are very much looking forward to stimulating debates and exchanges on putting evidence into action from our speakers and audience members.

Have a great day.

**Dame Clare Tickell DBE**  
**Chair, Early Intervention Foundation**



# *I am still struck by the widespread support for the principles of an early intervention approach. This support is underpinned by compelling evidence*



EIF's annual conference is an important opportunity to stand back, reflect and re-energise.

I am still struck by the widespread support for the principles of an early intervention approach – across political parties, services, at national and local level, and among the public. And this support is underpinned by compelling evidence from developmental psychology, neuroscience, economics and social policy.

Over the last year we have focused on building the UK evidence base, a key part of our role as a member of the What Works network. One highlight for us all was the publication of the landmark *Foundations for Life* report, which put a spotlight on how parents and children interact in the early years. It contains EIF's most extensive assessment of evidence so far, looking at 75 programmes to improve attachment, behaviour and cognitive skills.

We have brought a poverty lens to our research on parental conflict and social and emotional skills, with the support of the Joseph Rowntree Foundation. And we have embarked on promising work to develop the evidence underpinning early help multi-agency systems, which are increasingly common but not well evaluated.

Our online Guidebook has just been relaunched with over 50 interventions assessed by EIF to improve children's outcomes, including school success, mental health, reduction of crime and child abuse. Our interactive 'Cost of Late Intervention' map provides important spending information for every local authority in England. And we have worked closely with Public Health England to disseminate the evidence on the early years, running evidence seminars around England. We want to hear from you about how we can improve and develop these resources to enable you to answer some of the difficult questions you are grappling with.

Inevitably, while there is widespread support for the principles of early intervention, when those principles meet everyday, real-world challenges there are difficult practical questions that arise. Today is our chance to understand those challenges and plant the seeds for how we overcome them.

**Carey Oppenheim**  
Chief Executive, Early Intervention Foundation

# INTRODUCING EIF

## *Early intervention means solving problems before they become more serious and more entrenched*

The Early Intervention Foundation (EIF) is an independent charity and a member of the What Works network. We support the use of effective early intervention for children, young people and their families: identifying signals of risk, and responding with effective interventions to improve outcomes, reduce hardship and save the public money in the long term.

We work by generating evidence and knowledge of what works in our field, putting this information in the hands of commissioners, practitioners and policymakers, and supporting the adoption of the evidence in local areas and relevant sectors.

Our work focuses on four key areas:

- early years and positive child development
- the impact of the inter-parental relationship
- children’s mental health and wellbeing
- vulnerability, high risk and children at the edge of care.

Our vision is for a society in which every child is able to achieve their full potential. This means breaking the cycles of disadvantage and tackling the root causes of individual and social problems.

### RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: 'WHAT WORKS' REPORTS

- Inter-parental relationships in the context of poverty and economic pressure (April 2017)
- Foundations for Life: Parent-child interactions in the early years (July 2016)
- Inter-parental relationships and children’s long-term outcomes (March 2016)
- Preventing gang and youth violence (November 2015)
- Social and emotional learning (March 2015)

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### RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: NETWORKS & SUPPORT

- EIF Places Network: 40+ English local authorities
- Early Intervention Academy for Police Leaders
- Bespoke commissions for local advice and support

### RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT: ONLINE RESOURCES

- EIF Guidebook – rating evidence of impact and cost
- Interactive data map: 'What is the cost of late intervention in your area'
- Self-assessment tool: early intervention maturity matrix



# THE EIF GUIDEBOOK

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## What is the Guidebook?

The EIF Guidebook is an essential part of EIF's work to support the development of and investment in effective early intervention programmes.

The next-generation Guidebook was launched in spring 2017, providing information about more than 50 early intervention programmes based on evidence assessments conducted by EIF using our updated evidence standards.

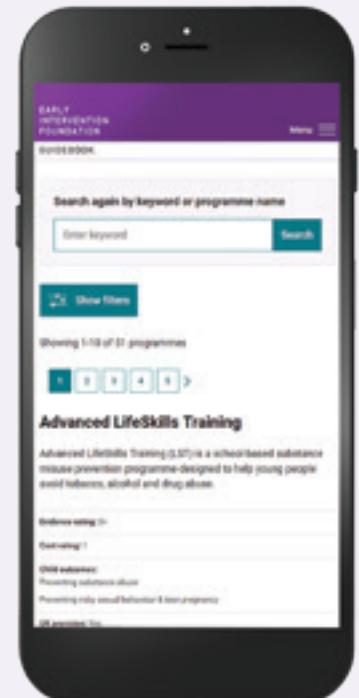
## What's changed?

The updated EIF Guidebook is based on **evidence assessments conducted by EIF**, rather than other international clearinghouses.

The Guidebook uses an **updated version of the EIF evidence standards**. EIF no longer rates programmes as 0 or 1, and programmes must at least meet the threshold for a rating of 2 (preliminary evidence) to be included in the Guidebook. Ratings may also now include an additional plus rating (2+, 3+, 4+), which indicates that a programme exceeds the basic threshold.

EIF now provides **cost ratings**, as an estimate of the relative costs of delivering different programmes. This is not an assessment of actual costs, but may be used to compare programme requirements.

The new Guidebook is very **mobile-friendly**, and will allow us to expand the Guidebook whenever new evidence assessments are completed.



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# AGENDA

**09:15 Registration & coffee**

**10:00 Welcome from EIF** – Dame Clare Tickell DBE, Chair, EIF

**10:05 Welcome from our sponsor** – Mark Raeburn, Director, Capita One

**10:10 Early intervention – opportunities and challenges**

Carey Oppenheim, Chief Executive, EIF

Joining Carey for Q&A: **Carey Oppenheim**, Chief Executive, EIF • **Tom McBride**, Director of Evidence, EIF • **Donna Molloy**, Director of Dissemination, EIF

**10:50 Break**

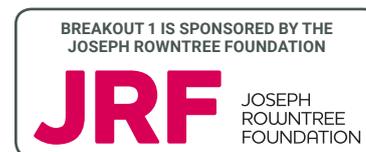
**11:05 First breakout session**

## Breakout 1: Can early intervention improve social mobility?

Where? **Sloane Room, Ground Floor**

What are the essential life skills that foster life chances and social mobility? How can we embed them across a child and young person's life?

**Sir Kevan Collins**, Chief Executive, Education Endowment Foundation (chair) • **Professor Robin Banerjee**, University of Sussex • **Dr Daniel Acquah**, Senior Analyst, EIF • **Bethia McNeil**, Centre for Youth Impact • **Dr Debbie Weekes-Bernard**, Policy and Research Manager, JRF



## Breakout 2: Can early intervention make a difference to the most vulnerable children?

Where? **Dorchester Library, First Floor**

Where and for which groups of children can early intervention make the most difference? What are the signals of risk which are most predictive of future problems and how can they be spotted and effectively responded to in order to prevent poor outcomes for the most vulnerable?

**Isabelle Trowler**, Chief Social Worker for Children and Families (chair) • **Donna Molloy**, Director of Dissemination, EIF • **Ian Thomas**, Director of Children's Services, Rotherham • **Stephen Rimmer**, Director of Impact and Learning, Barnardo's • **Dr Warren Larkin**, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Clinical Lead for the Department of Health – Adverse Childhood Experiences Programme

## Breakout 3: Is service integration the answer?

Where? **Council Chamber, Ground Floor**

There have been many attempts to integrate services to meet children's needs earlier and more effectively. Is this approach working or is it just shuffling the deckchairs? Would we be better focusing on GPs and schools, who already have a central role in children's lives, as the route to more effective early intervention?

**Christine Davies CBE**, Trustee, EIF (chair) • **Sarah Tough**, Director of Children's Services, Dorset County Council • **Colin Williams**, Director of Transformation, Newcastle City Council • **Ben Lewing**, Senior Advisor, EIF • **Dr Anand Chitnis**, Chair, Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group

### Breakout 4: How should services reflect what we know about the importance of the inter-parental relationship?

Where? **Linacre Room, Ground Floor**

Relationships lie at the heart of how children develop and flourish; learning how to communicate and resolve the conflict between adults are critical building blocks. How can local services implement the evidence on inter-parental relationship to create a change in children's life?

**Jean Gross CBE**, Trustee, EIF (chair) • **Professor Gordon Harold**, Andrew and Virginia Rudd Chair in Psychology, University of Sussex • **Honor Rhodes OBE**, Director of Strategy, Tavistock Centre for Couple Relationships • **Dr Sarah Wynick**, Head of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, CAMHS Directorate, Tavistock Clinic • **Dawn Jones**, Flying Start Midwife, Luton Council

**12:15 Lunch & exhibition**

**13:15 Keynote address: Alison Michalska** – President, Association of Directors of Children's Services

**13:45 Second breakout session: breakouts 1–4 repeated**

**15:00 Panel discussion: Does evidence really matter?**

How far can evidence really guide decisions about commissioning, services and practice and help us make the best use of resources to improve children's lives? How should decision-makers and commissioners use the evidence intelligently? Does evidence have its limits and what do we do if there are questions evidence can't answer?

**Dame Clare Tickell DBE** (chair) • **David Halpern**, National Advisor on What Works; Chief Executive, Behavioural Insights Team • **Abdool Kara**, Executive Leader, National Audit Office • **Tom McBride**, Director of Evidence, EIF

**16:00 Conversation: Reflections on care and parenting support**

Kerry Littleford, Public Health Practitioner, London Borough of Hackney in conversation with Louise Tickle, education and social affairs journalist

**16:30 Closing words** – Dame Clare Tickell DBE, Chair, EIF



# SPEAKERS

## Daniel Acquah, Senior Research Officer, EIF



Daniel led EIF's review of 'What works to enhance inter-parental relationships and improve outcomes for children' and is involved in programme assessment, qualitative work and social research more broadly. Daniel joined the EIF from the Analysis and Insight Team at Cabinet Office, where he managed a range of research and evaluation projects in support of the Office for Civil Society and the Youth Policy teams. Before that, Daniel spent three years as a Research Associate at the Centre for Education Research and Practice at AQA Education where he published work on education policy as well as carrying out evaluations on assessment procedures.

**Speaking:** Breakout 1: Social mobility

## Robin Banerjee, Professor of Developmental Psychology, University of Sussex



Professor Robin Banerjee directs the CRESS (Children's Relationships, Emotions, and Social Skills) Research Lab, which conducts investigations of children's social and emotional functioning, and involves close collaborations with practitioners and policymakers in the areas of education and mental health. Recent studies have examined the factors involved in peer acceptance and rejection, the social and cognitive processes involved in childhood social anxiety, and the connections between consumer culture, peer relationships, and wellbeing in school children.

**Speaking:** Breakout 1: Social mobility

## Anand Chitnis, Chair, Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group



Dr Anand Chitnis studied medicine at St Andrews and Manchester Universities, qualifying in 1987. He joined his current GP practice in Castle Bromwich, North Solihull, as a partner in 1992. He is a GP trainer and has a special interest in mental health, ENT and prescribing. In the past he was a GP advisor to the National Institute for Mental Health in England (NIMHE) and the Care Services Improvement Partnership (CSIP). He is a fellow of the Royal College of General Practitioners. He is Chair of the Newman Holiday Trust, a national charity providing holidays to disabled children from disadvantaged backgrounds.

**Speaking:** Breakout 3: Service integration

## Kevan Collins, Chief Executive, Education Endowment Foundation



Sir Kevan Collins has worked in public service for over 30 years and became the first EEF Chief Executive in October 2011, having previously been Chief Executive in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets. Prior to this role he led a distinguished career in education – starting off as a primary school teacher, leading the Primary Literacy

Strategy as National Director, and then serving as Director of Children's Services at Tower Hamlets.

**Speaking:** Breakout 1: Social mobility

## Christine Davies, Trustee, EIF



Christine Davies CBE is the former CEO of the Centre for Excellence and Outcomes in Children and Young People's Services (C4EO) which identified and disseminated 'what works' in children's services, working with local authorities, health services, schools and the VCS. Christine established and led the previous government's 'Narrowing the Gap' programme which identified leading practice in helping close the gap between advantaged and disadvantaged children and young people. Previously a teacher, psychologist and Director of Children's Services, Christine advised successive British governments on education, child poverty, safeguarding and early intervention and has also advised Australian, Netherlands and Russian governments. Christine was awarded the CBE in 2005 for 'an outstanding contribution to education'.

**Speaking:** Breakout 3: Service integration

## Jean Gross, Trustee, EIF



Jean Gross CBE is a founding Trustee of the Early Intervention Foundation and was formerly the government's Communication Champion for children. In previous roles she led the development of national approaches to social and emotional learning in schools. She has been a Visiting Fellow at three universities and published widely on children's issues.

Jean was awarded a CBE for services to education in 2011.

**Speaking:** Breakout 4: Interparental relationships

## Gordon Harold, Andrew and Virginia Rudd Chair in Psychology, University of Sussex



Gordon Harold has held the position of Professor of Psychology in the School of Psychology at the University of Sussex since 2008. He has held appointments as Professor of Psychology at the University of Otago, New Zealand, and Professor of Quantitative Behaviour Genetics at the University of Leicester. His primary research interests focus on the role of the family as a context for understanding children's psychological development, the interplay between genetic and family relationship factors and children's psychological development, working with cohort longitudinal data resources, and implementing recommendations of research relating to family influences on child and adolescent mental health. He is a consultant and advisor to several government departments in the UK and internationally.

**Speaking:** Breakout 4: Interparental relationships

### David Halpern, National Advisor on What Works; Chief Executive, Behavioural Insights Team



David Halpern has led the Behavioural Insights Team since its inception in 2010. Prior to that, David was the founding Director of the Institute for Government and between 2001 and 2007 was the Chief Analyst at the Prime Minister's Strategy Unit. As What Works National Advisor, David

supports the What Works Network and leads efforts to improve the use of evidence across government. Before entering government, David held tenure at Cambridge and posts at Oxford and Harvard. He has written several books and papers on areas relating to behavioural insights and wellbeing.

**Speaking:** Panel discussion: *Does evidence really matter?*

### Dawn Jones, Flying Start Midwife, Luton



Dawn Jones has been a midwife for 12 years, working with the Luton and Dunstable NHS Trust. "I always strive to make sure I enable a positive experience regardless of circumstances. I believe in a team approach to everybody's care as one service cannot do it all. I am fortunate to be a part of Flying Start Luton and am responsible for overseeing our antenatal programmes. I

research good practice nationwide, and implement programmes and services to suit our demographic working with a multi-agency team."

**Speaking:** Breakout 4: *Interparental relationships*

### Abdool Kara, Executive Leader, NAO



As Executive Leader, Local Services, Abdool Kara is responsible for the NAO's value-for-money portfolio, covering education, health, local government, and other local services such as police and transport. Prior to joining the NAO Abdool had 25 years' experience in the local government sector, including working for four different councils up to and including chief executive level, and seven years at the Audit Commission on both value for money and inspection. He also had a stint at the Cabinet Office working on public service improvement.

**Speaking:** Panel discussion: *Does evidence really matter?*

### Warren Larkin, Consultant Clinical Psychologist



Dr Warren Larkin is also Clinical Lead for the Department of Health Adverse Childhood Experiences Programme and Visiting Professor at Sunderland University and a Director at Warren Larkin Associates Ltd. He has a longstanding interest in the relationships between childhood adversity and outcomes later in life. Warren developed the REACH approach (Routine Enquiry about Adversity in Childhood) as a way of assisting organisations to become more trauma-informed and to support professionals to ask routinely about adversity in their everyday practice.

**Speaking:** Breakout 2: *Vulnerable children*

### Ben Lewing, Senior Adviser, EIF



Ben leads EIF's work on the early years and on multi-agency systems, and supports local leaders and commissioners on the practical implementation of early intervention. He joined EIF in 2015 having spent the previous decade working in local government on children's strategy and partnerships, most recently as a strategic joint commissioner in Solihull leading on early help in the early years, emotional wellbeing, speech and language therapy and domestic abuse. Although Ben qualified as a social worker and started his career working in children's homes in Birmingham, he has specialised in children's rights and participation, working for Save the Children UK and the Children and Young People's Unit.

**Speaking:** Breakout 3: *Service integration*

### Kerry Littleford, Public Health Practitioner, London Borough of Hackney



Kerry Littleford spent her teenage years in care and has eight younger siblings who also went into care. She now works to alleviate social and health inequalities in Hackney and has begun storytelling as a way to share her experiences. She recently shared her stories at Battersea Arts Centre and on BBC Radio 4's *Four Thought* programme.

**Speaking:** In conversation: *Reflections on care and parenting support*

### Tom McBride, Director of Evidence, EIF



Before joining EIF, Tom McBride was based at the Department for Education, where he led the Strategic Analysis function providing analytical support across all areas of DfE policy. Much of his work focussed on the performance of disadvantaged children, and the role of education in improving social mobility. Prior to that he was at the National Audit Office for eight years, where he developed and led the 'Decision Analysis and Modelling group' as well as designing and delivering multi-method evaluations across a range of government activity, including end-of-life care and PFI hospitals.

**Speaking:** Panel discussion: *Does evidence really matter?*

### Bethia McNeil, Director, Centre for Youth Impact



Bethia McNeil has been Director of the Centre for Youth Impact since its launch in September 2014. Prior to joining the team to set up the centre, Bethia worked at the Dartington Social Research Unit, the Young Foundation, the National Youth Agency and NIACE (now the Learning and Work Institute), in a variety of policy and research roles. She has also worked in further and higher education as a teacher and trainer. Bethia is a Clore Fellow and a Senior Visiting Fellow at Nottingham Trent University.

**Speaking:** Breakout 1: *Social mobility*

**Alison Michalska, President, ADCS; Corporate Director for Children & Adults, Nottingham**



Alison Michalska joined Nottingham City Council as Corporate Director for Children and Adults in November 2013. Prior to this Alison was Director of Children, Family and Adult Services at East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Alison started her career in the late 1980s as a social worker, initially in children's services, then moving to adults/older people, becoming one of the first specialist mental health social workers for older people.

**Speaking:** [Keynote address](#)

**Donna Molloy, Director of Dissemination, EIF**



Donna Molloy has lead work to translate and communicate EIF evidence and to support key audiences to use and apply it since 2013. She works directly with local areas, sectors such as local government and policing and government departments. Before joining EIF she spent over 10 years in central government in various roles developing policy and leading implementation programmes to provide targeted support to children and families. She developed policy on family intervention and its expansion in the DCLG Troubled Families Team, and also worked as a policy adviser in the Prime Minister's Strategy Unit and the Social Exclusion Unit.

**Speaking:** [Breakout 2: Vulnerable children](#)

**Carey Oppenheim, Chief Executive, EIF**



Carey has been Chief Executive of the Early Intervention Foundation since 2013. Her previous roles include Co-director of the Institute of Public Policy Research, and Special Advisor to Tony Blair in the Number 10 Policy Unit, specialising in employment, social security, childcare and poverty. Carey has also been a senior lecturer in social policy at the South Bank University, deputy director and head of research at the Child Poverty Action Group, chaired the London Child Poverty Commission and advised the Treasury on welfare reform, and the DfE on childcare and early years strategy. Prior to joining EIF she trained and taught history and politics at an inner-city London school.

**Speaking:** [Early Intervention – opportunities and challenges](#)

**Mark Raeburn, Managing Director, Capita One**



Mark Raeburn is passionate about using technology to help improve outcomes for children, young people and families, with a particular interest in delivering solutions that support early intervention and prevention. Having worked with schools and local authorities for 15 years, he understands the ever-changing world of children and family services and is committed to using this experience to help local authorities respond to the needs of their communities effectively.

**Speaking:** [Welcome](#)

**Honor Rhodes, Director of Strategy, Tavistock Centre for Couple Relationships**



Honor Rhodes OBE started her career teaching in prisons. She worked as a social worker in the East End of London before moving to the voluntary sector. She moved to the Tavistock Centre for Couple Relationships in 2010, where part of her job is persuade other agencies to think about co-parents' relationships and couple work generally. Honor's particular interest is in effective interventions with chaotic, chronic multi-problem families. Honor is a NHS Clinical Commissioning Group Board Member in City and Hackney and a Founding Trustee of the Early Intervention Foundation. She was awarded an OBE in July 2010 for her work with children and families.

**Speaking:** [Breakout 4: Interparental relationships](#)

**Stephen Rimmer, Director of Impact and Learning, Barnardo's**



Before joining Barnardo's, Stephen Rimmer was Director General of the Crime and Policing Group at the Home Office. Stephen helps to ensure that the corporate strategy is effectively delivered across the UK. He leads Barnardo's work to measure performance and strengthen its research and evaluation base to demonstrate the impact that the charity is having on the lives of vulnerable children, young people and families. Stephen also leads efforts to ensure that Barnardo's is a diverse organisation and actively learns from the experience and expertise of its 8,000 staff and 20,000 volunteers to continuously improve the services we offer to communities across the UK.

**Speaking:** [Breakout 2: Vulnerable children](#)

**Ian Thomas, Director of Children's Services, Rotherham**



Since 2012 he has been Chair of ADCS Resources and Sustainability Committee. Since becoming the statutory children's officer in Rotherham he has been busy building a new team to respond to the reports of Professor Jay, Louise Casey and Ofsted, in what has been the most challenging time for any council. The service is now stronger, with a better response to tackling CSE and a strengthening partnership which is progressing from remedial action to improvement. Prior to this role Ian was DCS and Deputy Chief Executive at Derbyshire County Council, where he led a service which became one of only a few to be rated 'Good' across all areas, under Ofsted's tougher Single Inspection Framework.

**Speaking:** [Breakout 2: Vulnerable children](#)

### Clare Tickell, Chair, EIF



Dame Clare Tickell DBE is CEO of Hanover Housing Association, one of the UK's leading national providers of housing and services for older people. Previously Clare was Chief Executive of Action for Children. In 2010 she was asked by the Children's Minister to carry out an independent review of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). Clare qualified as a social worker at Bristol University in 1984 and worked for social care and housing organisations including Centrepoint and Stonham Housing Association. Clare was a commissioner on the RSA 2020 Commission into Public Services. She is a former Board Member of Guinness, a Fellow of the RSA and Chair of the CVLS Honours Committee. Clare also led on the Peer Review of the LGA early in 2015.

**Speaking:** Welcome, panel discussion and closing words

### Louise Tickle, education and social affairs journalist



Louise Tickle is an award-winning journalist specialising in education and social affairs. She has reported extensively on care proceedings, family courts, and issues arising from adoption policy and practice.

**Speaking:** In conversation: Reflections on care and parenting support

### Sara Tough, Director of Children's Services, Dorset County



Sara Tough has more than 30 years' experience across a wide range of children's services in both the public and independent sectors. Under her leadership, Dorset County Council has reshaped its delivery of youth services, using crowdfunding to enable community-led projects while targeting youth work at the most vulnerable. She has also led an innovative

new approach to early help using intelligence to target support and creating new Family Partnership Zones to enable prevention at scale, and has led a successful £2 million bid to reinvigorate social work, through the Social Care innovation fund. Sara served as an elected director for the Association of Directors of Children's Services (ADCS) and leads sector-led improvement currently for ADCS South West.

**Speaking:** Breakout 3: Service integration

### Isabelle Trowler, Chief Social Worker for Children and Families



Since taking up her current role as Chief Social Worker for England (Children & Families) in 2013, Isabelle has been instrumental in the introduction of national practice standards and post qualification accreditation, the development of teaching partnerships and the creation of a new regulator, Social Work England. She has

also played a central part in the introduction of a new What Works Centre for Children's Social Care, the sector led improvement programme "Partners in Practice", and the roll out of the Department of Education's Innovation Programme.

**Speaking:** Breakout 2: Vulnerable children

### Debbie Weekes-Bernard, Policy and Research Manager, Joseph Rowntree Foundation



Dr Debbie Weekes-Bernard manages JRF's work on ethnicity and poverty as well as work on developing early intervention strategies to improve the outcomes of children in poverty. Her additional areas of expertise include labour markets, poverty, education, lone parents, young people and society.

Debbie previously worked as Head of Research for the Runnymede Trust where she was responsible for conducting and commissioning research on racial inequalities in education, the criminal justice system and the labour market, as well as working closely with teachers, trade unions and academics.

**Speaking:** Breakout 1: Social mobility

### Colin Williams, Director of Transformation, Newcastle



Colin worked for 25 years in local government services for vulnerable people, before joining the National Institute for Mental Health and then the Care Services Improvement Partnership to lead a number of major change programmes in the North of England, including implementation of the Social Exclusion Unit report on mental health

and the roll out of personalisation in adult social care. In 2008 he joined Newcastle City Council where he has led a programme of transformational change across children and adult services with a strong focus on service integration.

**Speaking:** Breakout 3: Service integration

### Sarah Wynick, Head of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, CAMHS Directorate, Tavistock Clinic



Dr Sarah Wynick is also Manager of for the Tavistock and Portman NHS Trust Family Mental Health Team. She has also managed three in-patient family and adolescent units (at the Cassel Hospital, at Simmons House, and at the Beacon). She trained in psychotherapy

with children and adolescents at the Tavistock Clinic and now runs the United Kingdom's only course for child psychiatrists in psychodynamic psychotherapy – the M14 course – accredited by the British Psychoanalytic Council. She has a long-held interest in working with trauma and with refugees and asylum-seekers, and she is an experienced EMDR (eye movement desensitisation and reprocessing) practitioner who uses trauma-focused techniques in her work, alongside her psychoanalytical framework.

**Speaking:** Breakout 4: Interparental relationships

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## EXHIBITORS

We are pleased to extend a warm welcome to everyone who is sharing in our early intervention exhibition today:

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**Capita One**

**Circle of Security International**  
**Early Intervention Foundation**  
**Institute of Health Visiting**  
**Joseph Rowntree Foundation**

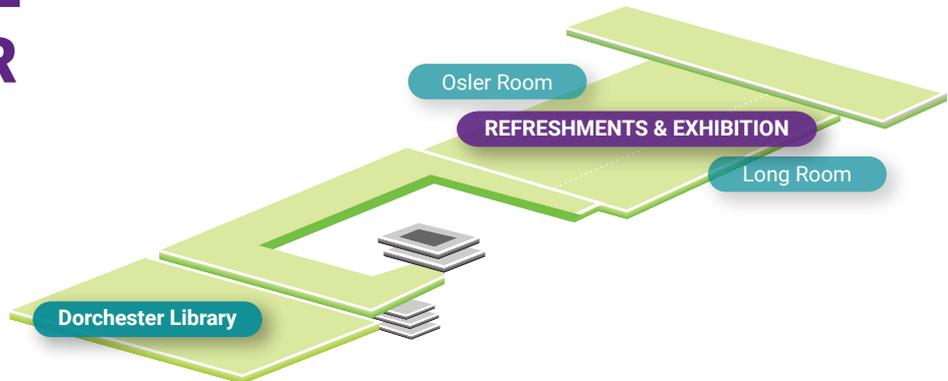
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# VENUE MAP

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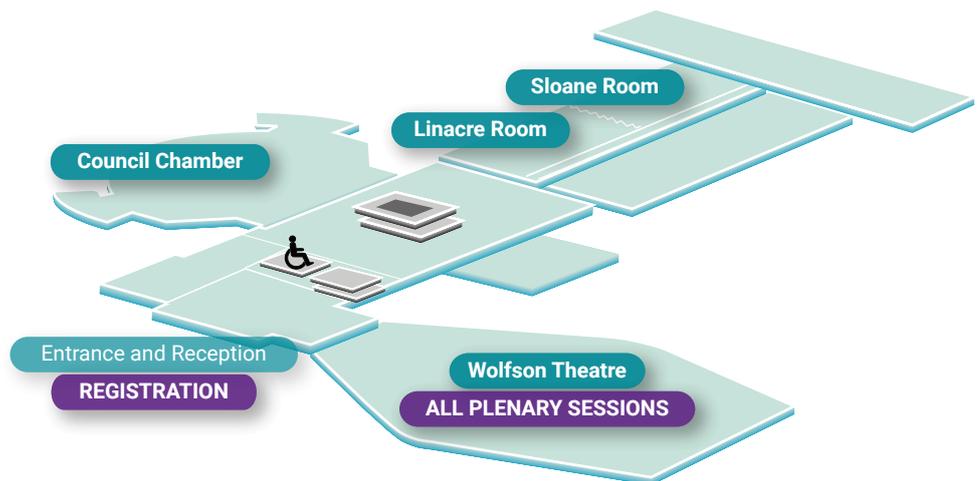


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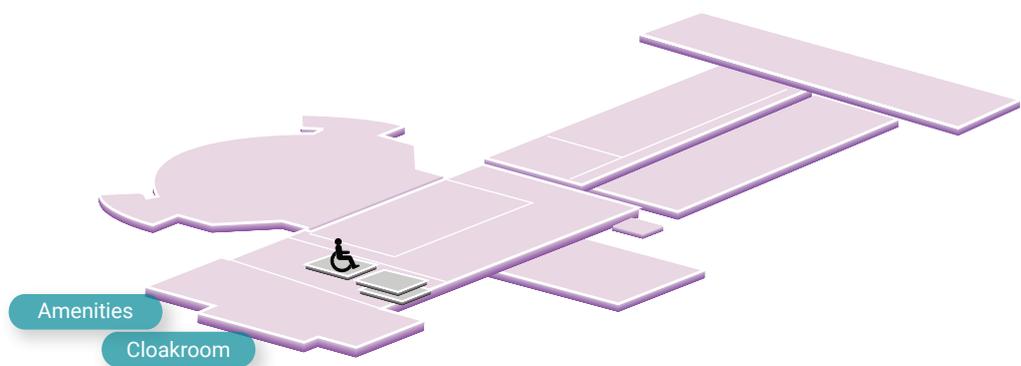
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Breakout 3: Is service integration the answer?

**Linacre Room:** Breakout 4:  
How should services reflect what we know about the importance of the inter-parental relationship?



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## ACCESSING WIFI

- » **Connect via your phone, laptop or tablet to network "RCP"**
- » **There is no password**
- » **Open up your browser and you will be redirected to the RCP wifi landing page**
- » **Click on the wifi "Click to login" and you will be redirected to the RCP registration page**
- » **Enter your email address and agree to the RCP's terms and conditions**
- » **You will be redirected to the RCP website homepage to confirm that you are connected**