

Tuesday 9th October 2018

Rooms on Regent's Park

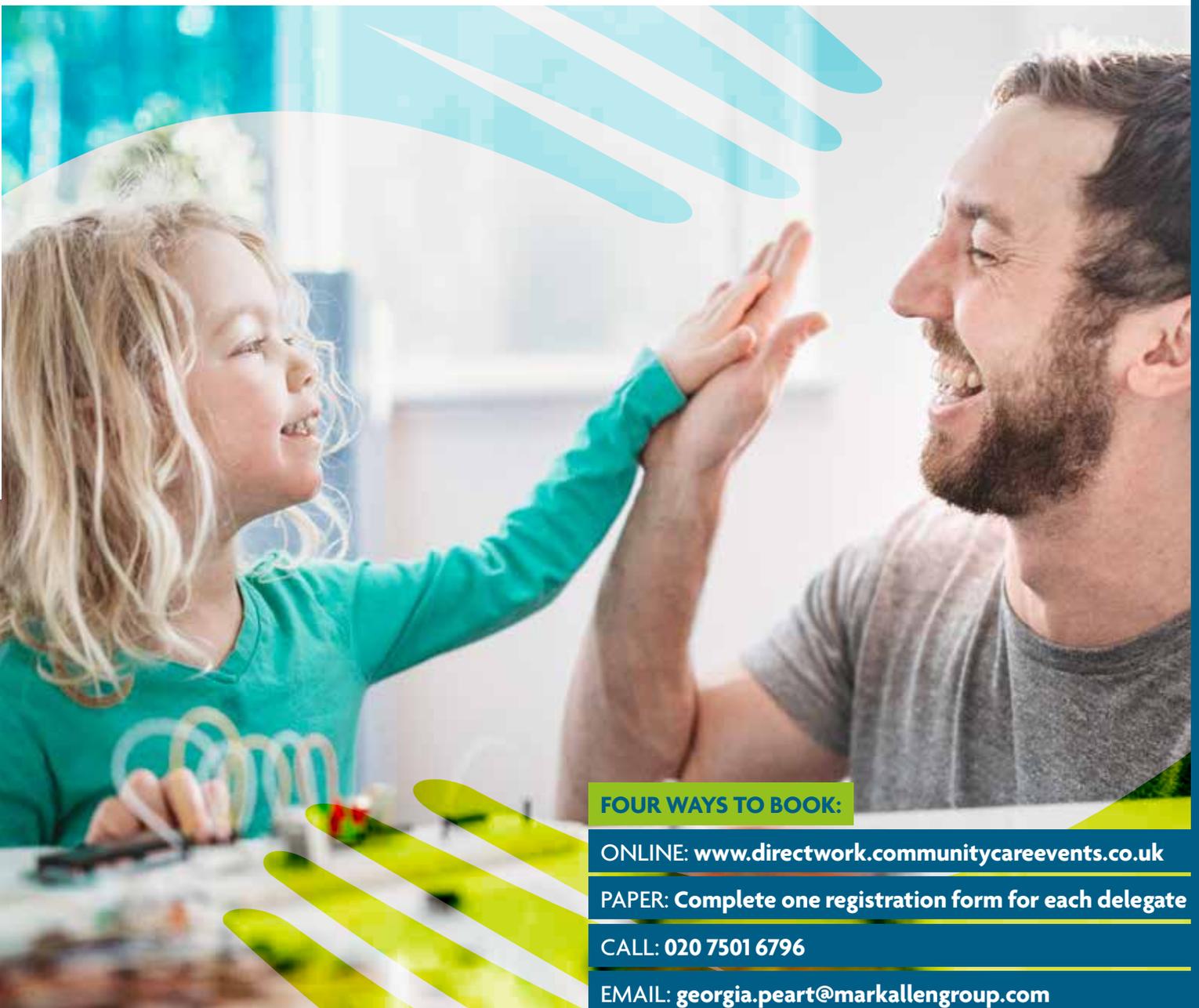
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Direct work in practice: working with children

A Community Care skills workshop



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Evidencing direct work with children is an essential part of practice for children and family social workers to help understand a child's lived experience. Case records and court reports must demonstrate evidence of meaningful direct work and how this has shaped decisions.

This practical, one-day, skills-based workshop will focus on how to conduct effective direct work with children that can be applied directly to practice.

The Keynote session will provide:

- Essential advice to support emotional presence in practice
- Practical techniques to facilitate meaningful 'wishes and feelings' work
- Next step strategies – how to translate 'wishes and feelings' into insightful practice

Workshops will help you:

- Approach direct communication with children with more confidence
- Consider how to write about the work which has been undertaken
- Develop knowledge, skills and confidence in ascertaining and evidencing the views, wishes, feelings and experiences of disabled children
- Understand how to explore concerns carefully and with open questions
- Use facilitative activities which can help understand the inner world of children
- Adapt your communication approaches
- Learn more about the effects of developmental and/or relational trauma
- Look at ways of using technology to help with children and young people's attachment needs
- Understand how your facial expressions, tone of voice and bodily postures will make a significant difference in how successful your work can be

Who should attend?

This workshop is designed with children and family social work practitioners in mind and is particularly relevant to:

- Children and family social workers
- Senior social workers
- Team managers
- Principal social workers
- Family care workers

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09.15 **Arrival and Registration**

09.45 **Welcome and introduction**

SPEAKER Yvonne Shemmings, training provider, social researcher and honorary lecturer, University of Kent

10.05 **Keynote: Beyond wishes and feelings: the need for trauma-informed, theory-informed and research-informed practice**

SPEAKER Professor David Shemmings OBE PhD, Professor of Child Protection Research and Co-Director of the Centre for Child Protection, University of Kent

During this session David will address three points:

- How can practitioners remain emotionally present when working with children?
- When children have told us their 'wishes and feelings' ... what do we do next?
- How do we prevent 'wishes and feelings' work becoming yet another 'box to tick'?

10.50 **Break and refreshments**

11.10 **Workshop session 1**

Choose one of the following sessions:

Workshop A • Workshop D • Workshop F

12.15 **Workshop session 2**

Choose one of the following sessions:

Workshop A • Workshop B • Workshop C

13.15 **Lunch**

14.00 **Workshop session 3**

Choose one of the following sessions:

Workshop D • Workshop E • Workshop F

15.00 **Break and refreshments**

15.20 **Workshop session 4**

Choose one of the following sessions:

Workshop B • Workshop C • Workshop E

16.25 **Closing comments**

16.40 **Close**

Please note that the programme is subject to change and that whilst we endeavour to accommodate your workshop preferences this may not be possible and alternative workshop sessions will be offered.

Workshops

Workshop A: Direct work with adolescents in the child protection system: The importance of understanding behaviour

SPEAKER Laura Hanbury, PhD student, Royal Holloway University and family practitioner for looked-after children

This workshop will include:

- Working with adolescents in the child protection system will require us to learn more about the effects of developmental and/or relational trauma
- Why our facial expressions, tone of voice and bodily postures will make a significant difference in how successful our work will be
- How can we use our own experiences to connect with even the most hard to work with teens, whilst at the same time being able to keep the boundaries in place
- Becoming aware of our own emotions and past experiences. How these can help or hinder successful direct work with adolescents
- Learning and sharing techniques that have been successful and sharing the ones which haven't. Exploration of why this may be the case

working with children

Workshop B: Ascertaining and evidencing the views, wishes, feelings and experiences of disabled children

SPEAKER

Maxime Cole, Triangle

This workshop will:

- Develop knowledge, skills and confidence in ascertaining and evidencing the views, wishes, feelings and experiences of disabled children
- Approach direct communication with children with more confidence
- Know how to adapt communication approaches in line with a child's needs
- Understand how to explore concerns carefully and with open questions

Workshop C: Direct work: the centre of good practice (Essex County Council)

SPEAKERS

This session will be delivered by **Carley Goodman**, family care worker, **Sharon Isted**, team manager, South Essex Family Centre and **Laurette Robertson**, team manager, West Essex Family Centre work with parents and children

This workshop will:

- Discuss the 'use of self' in direct work with children
- Consider the use of direct work in assessments
- Use a 'child's needs puzzle' to help understand a child's unmet need to provide insights to parents and professionals
- Practice the use of 'timelines'
- Use a case study to demonstrate a large range of tools and techniques
- Use a number of methods to develop a cultural genogram

Workshop D: Making Sense of Emotions with Children and Beginning and Ending Relationships (West Sussex County Council)

SPEAKERS

Miriam Williams, **Lauren Thompson**, **Chantal Treanor** and **Sarah Hatton**.

All four are practising social workers in West Sussex working in family support and protection

Understanding a child's emotions and helping them make sense of their feelings is a critical part of safeguarding children and improving outcomes for them. The social worker can play a significant role in this process and the impact of their own relationship with the child can and should be a positive experience for children as well as a beginning on their journey together. In West Sussex, regular use of different direct work tools has helped children to engage and share their lived experience in order to support our safeguarding role whilst also understanding their views from a child-focused and child-friendly approach.

This workshop will:

- Demonstrate a range of different tools and resources that can aid the social worker in:
 - Introducing themselves to the child as well as exploring ways of explaining endings to children, some of whom may have not had a positive experience of this
 - Exploring and helping a child to make sense of their emotions as well as strategies to manage these
- Consider how this work can be used to demonstrate the child's voice in our practice

Workshop E: Using contemporary technology in direct work with children

SPEAKER

Professor David Shemmings OBE PhD, Professor of Child Protection Research and Co-Director of the Centre for Child Protection, University of Kent

This workshop will:

- Explore with examples how the University of Kent's Centre for Child Protection is using simulations, avatars and gaming techniques to understand the 'child's world'
- Look at ways of using technology to help with children and young people's attachment needs
- Examine how contemporary technology (and some that is just around the corner...) help us with direct work with children

Workshop F: Using direct work in everyday practice

SPEAKER

Yvonne Shemmings, training provider, social researcher and honorary lecturer, University of Kent

This workshop will:

- Use facilitative activities which can help understand the inner world of children
- Show you how to use direct work in the assessment process
- Help you consider how to write about the work which has been undertaken



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Workshop session 1: Workshop A Workshop D Workshop F
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Workshop session 4: Workshop B Workshop C Workshop E

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