

## NISG(19)01st Meeting - Minutes – 17 January 2019

## Action Points

No	Discussion/ Decision	Action Point	Status/ Completion Date	Lead
1	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Introduction</b></p> <p>The chair welcomed new members to the Group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorna Aitken – Education Scotland</li> <li>• Alistair Gaw – ADES, Edinburgh Council</li> <li>• Janice Brown – Care Inspectorate</li> </ul> <p>The Co-Chair, Margo Williamson, Chief Executive of Angus Council, introduced herself as new co-chair of the GIRFEC National Implementation Support Group.</p> <p>[Redacted text] noted apologies from [Redacted text], Kevin Mitchell and Jackie Brock.</p>	No actions arising		[Redacted text] Co-Chair
2	<p><b>Update from Chair of GIRFEC Practice Development Panel</b></p> <p>Prof. Ian Welsh, OBE, independent Chair of the GIRFEC Practice Development Panel, explained the Panel's broad functions and the chronology of the work undertaken to date on developing a draft Code of Practice for Information Sharing.</p> <p>Prof. Welsh confirmed the Panel's plans for a short period of targeted engagement to seek the views of stakeholders before the Panel finalises their report and recommendations to Ministers.</p>	<p>NISG members to forward information on any events taking place between now and mid-February that they wish the Panel to consider as part of their targeted engagement</p> <p>NISG members to be sent a stakeholder briefing pack about the Panel's emerging views</p>		Ian Welsh – Health and Social Care Alliance

	<p>NISG members reflected on how they can support the communication of the findings of the Panel in their respective organisations.</p> <p>NISG members thanked Prof. Welsh and the Panel for their work to date.</p>			
3	<p><b>Minutes and outstanding actions from the last meeting (25 September 2018)</b></p> <p>Previous minutes were agreed.</p>	No actions arising		Margo Williamson Co-Chair
4	<p><b>Communications and Engagement</b></p> <p>[Redacted text], Communications &amp; Engagement Manager, briefed attendees on work to develop GIRFEC communications.</p> <p>Refreshed GIRFEC webpages are now live on the SG website.</p> <p>[Redacted text], advised of Education Scotland’s work to promote the case studies currently held on their National Improvement Hub</p>	No actions arising		[Redacted text] - SG
5	<p><b>Update on project to develop a children services leadership offer</b></p> <p>[Redacted text] updated the Group on work to develop a leadership offer for those working in children’s services..</p>	No actions arising		[Redacted text] – Children in Scotland

	<p>The views of the group were sought on the following aspects of the offer –</p> <p><u>Leadership Approaches</u>  <u>Members noted the importance of -</u>          Opportunities for joint learning &amp; reflective practice          Making use of pre-existing structures, networks and relationships which support collaborative working.          Embedding leadership practices in existing models rather than create something new.</p> <p><u>Selection of Partnerships</u>          Members advised that -          The size and scale of the pilot areas was an important factor.          The collective leadership offer should be connected to local outcomes          The difference between urban and rural locations should be considered</p> <p><u>Proposed Seminars and Learning Networks</u>          NISG members agreed that the seminars would be a valuable contribution to this work</p>			
6	<p><b>Support for Local Implementation of GIRFEC</b></p> <p>[Redacted text] spoke about some initial thinking to bring a Quality Improvement approach to planning, assessment and decision making to support local implementation of GIRFEC.</p> <p>Members noted –</p>	<p>[Redacted text] to follow up offers of further conversations with individual members of NISG</p>		<p>[Redacted text] - SG</p>

	<p>Drawing out examples of effective practice models, gathering data including Return on Investment and opportunities for achieving scale would be useful. There are a variety of models which could be incorporated in this project – Signs of Safety, Family Nurse Partnerships, Family Group Conferencing etc Members have done a lot of work locally e.g. with CELCIS, Fraser of Allander Institute and others which are relevant.</p> <p>An awareness of the local context and population prevalence should be incorporated</p> <p>Members agreed that this proposal warranted further exploration.</p> <p>Members offered follow up conversations and to sign post other relevant work &amp; findings e.g. recent inspections reports that will aid further development of this proposal.</p>			
7	<p><b>Children’s Services Strategic Engagement</b></p> <p>[Redacted text] updated the Group on the Scotland-wide programme of engagement with Children’s Services Strategic Partners which started in October 2018 and will run through to June 2019.</p> <p>[Redacted text] advised 11 visits have taken place already. Members of NISG that have participated in the visits reflected on their experience and reported that they found it a valuable conversation.</p>	No actions arising		[Redacted text] - SG

	<p>Work is underway to arrange an event in June, bringing together Strategic Leads for children's organisations and key partners, to share the output of these visits.</p> <p>[Redacted text] advised that a Strategic Forum and cross-government group has been established to support work to improve outcomes for children and young people. This group will work collaboratively with NISG given shared purpose.</p>			
7	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>The Group will next meet on 30 April 2019</p>			<p>[Redacted text] Co-Chair</p>

## Attendees and apologies

Attendees:	
[Redacted text](Co-Chair)	SOLACE, Angus City Council
[Redacted text] (Co-Chair)	NHS Lanarkshire
[Redacted text]	Association of Directors of Education in Scotland, Edinburgh Council
[Redacted text]	Care Inspectorate
[Redacted text]	Children's Services, Glasgow Council
[Redacted text]	Convention of Scottish Local Authorities
[Redacted text]	Education Scotland
[Redacted text]	Education Scotland
[Redacted text]	National Parent Forum Scotland (NPFS)
[Redacted text]	NHS Health Scotland
[Redacted text]	Police Scotland
[Redacted text]	Scottish Government
[Redacted text]	Scottish Government
Invited Guests	
Ian Welsh	Chair, GIRFEC Practice Development Panel

[Redacted text]	Children in Scotland
[Redacted text]	Scottish Government
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Policy Support	
[Redacted text]	Scottish Government
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Apologies	
[Redacted text]	Barnardos
[Redacted text]	Care Inspectorate ([Redacted text] attending)
[Redacted text]	Children in Scotland ([Redacted text] attending)