

CHIP Briefing Sheet (5) October 2019

Introduction

The meeting on the 9 September was a workshop dedicated mainly to an in-depth discussion of the final reports from the Home Compulsory Supervision Orders Research undertaken by SCRA on behalf of CHIP and the Scottish Government, so it didn't follow the usual CHIP meeting format.

Updates

The meeting began with a short update on previous CHIP work by Lesley Sheppard from the Scottish Government. This covered:

- Better Hearings CHIP members had received a Progress Report from Lisa Bennett from SCRA prior to the meeting outlining work so far.
- Policy Scanning Workstream Iain Fitheridge from the Scottish Government will be taking over the chair of this group, with Melissa Hunt from SCRA acting as deputy chair.
- Children's Hearings Scotland (CHS) Panel Member Recruitment Campaign this year's campaign has been positively received and is running well.

Jackie McRae from Children's Hearings Scotland then gave a presentation on the new Practice and Procedure Manual produced by CHS which is digital and interactive. This has been well received by testers.

Home Compulsory Supervision Orders Research

The main focus of the meeting then began with attendees breaking into four groups each discussing a different aspect of the HCSO research findings:

- 1. Interventions
- 2. Celebrating success
- 3. Care Planning
- 4. Contact and Residence

The conclusion was that Home Compulsory Supervision Orders have an integral place in child protection and are an important tool to help regulate contact and residence and assist children and families to access support when necessary. There are many positive aspects to them although improvements can be made especially with Care Plans which the research found were in need of improvements in many cases.

The next CHIP meeting will discuss how CHIP members can promote the research more widely amongst their individual organisations.



If you haven't add a chance to read the research reports, they are available on **SCRA's website**.

Minutes of June meeting

These were approved at the September meeting and are now available on the **CHIP website**.

Any questions?

If you have any questions about this briefing, please get in touch via CHIP-partnership@gov.scot