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9.30AM – 16.30PM

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Overview

Reimagining Regulation, Safeguarding, and Support for the Next Generation

As the landscape of children's services continues to evolve, so too must our commitment to safeguarding, equity, and innovation. A Bold Vision for Children and Young People is a timely, sector-leading conference bringing together thought leaders, frontline professionals, policymakers, and providers to explore what high-quality, responsive services should look like in 2025 and beyond.

This dynamic one-day event will shine a spotlight on the regulatory frameworks shaping services for children and young people, explore critical safeguarding issues—including the challenges posed by unregulated settings—and offer tangible examples of best practice from across the sector. From tackling County Lines exploitation to strengthening local authority commissioning, the day will be packed with insight, inspiration and practical learning.

The programme features:

- **Topical sessions on regulation, commissioning, and workforce development**
- **Expert panels on balancing compliance with innovation**
- **Case studies and community-based solutions**
- **Discussions on safeguarding in both regulated and unregulated settings**
- **Real-world strategies for data-driven oversight and cross-sector collaboration**

Whether you are shaping services on the ground or influencing them at a policy level, this conference will equip you with the insight, connections, and tools to champion bold, effective and compassionate care for children and young people.

Join us as we look to the future—with clarity, courage, and collaboration.

Who Should Attend?

This essential one-day event brings together professionals across the children's care and support ecosystem. It is tailored for:

- **Directors of Children's Services**
- **Commissioners & Safeguarding Leads**
- **Residential Care Providers**
- **Local Authority Children's Teams**
- **Ofsted Inspectors**
- **Social Workers & Frontline Practitioners**
- **Voluntary Sector Leaders**
- **Policy Makers and Think Tanks**
- **Advocacy and Lived Experience Representatives**
- **Education and Youth Engagement Providers**

If you work to support, protect or commission services for children and young people - this conference is for you.

Programme Highlights

Key Themes:

- **Regulation of Services for Children and Young People**
- **Safeguarding and the Impact of Unregulated Provision**
- **Best Practice Models in Regulated Care**
- **County Lines Exploitation & Community Safety**
- **Local Authority Commissioning & Accountability**
- **The Future of Children's Services: Policy, Data, and Workforce**

Keynote Speakers:

- **Chris Wilde**, Author and Campaigner for Children
- **Carolyn Willow**, Director & Children's Rights Advocate, Article 39
- **Eleanor Haworth**, Head of Children's Services Transformation and Improvement, SCIE
- **Nerys Anthony**, Executive Director of Youth Impact, The Children's Society
- **David Graham**, Chief Executive, The Care Leavers Association and Care Leaver and Advocate

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Lemn Sissay
Poet, Author and Care Leaver Advocate



Chris Wild
Author and Campaigner for Children

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS:

Nerys Anthon
Executive Director for Youth Impact, The Children's Society

Matthew Brazier
Senior Inspector, Ofsted

David Graham
Chief Executive, The Care Leavers Association; Care Leaver and Advocate

Eleanor Haworth
Head of Children's Services Transformation and Improvement, SCIE

Ros James
Advocate and Campaigner

Carolyn Willow
Director & Children's Rights Advocate, Article 39

Emma Waldron
Education Law Barrister, 3 Paper Buildings

AND MORE SPEAKERS TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON!

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EXHIBITOR OPPORTUNITIES

Position your organisation at the heart of innovation in children's care.

Join sector leaders, decision-makers and practitioners at *A Bold Vision for Children and Young People* and showcase your commitment to excellence in services for children and families.

Why Exhibit?

- **Reach your audience:** Engage directly with those shaping care delivery, regulation, and commissioning.
- **Your voice:** Be seen as a sector partner committed to safety, innovation, and inclusion.
- **Build relationships:** Network with local authorities, providers, charities and advocacy groups.
- **Lead the conversation:** Align your brand with the urgent mission of rethinking children's care.

Format

- 6ft space and 2 chairs
- Access to power
- Includes lunch and refreshments
- Logo and profile in the delegate programme
- Listing on event website and select social posts

£3000+VAT

- **Exhibition stand**
- **50-word company profile in programme**
- **Logo on event webpage**
- **1 social media welcome post**
- **2 delegate spaces**

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Let's work together to champion bold solutions for the children and young people who need us most.

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