Scottish Inclusion Health and Homelessness Conference 2019

Morning workshops

Choose one:

A. Access to health and social care for people with No Recourse to Public Funds
   Eloise Nuttbrown, CoSLA; Katie Hawkins, Edinburgh Access Practice and Jen Ang, JustRight Scotland
   This workshop will explore barriers to accessing health and social care, and introduce participants to new CoSLA guidance on migrants’ rights and entitlements to local authority services in Scotland, with a particular focus on people who have No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF). It will also look at new guidance on primary care registration and help to clarify what support we can offer to people with NRPF.

B. Youth homelessness: identification, prevention and intervention
   Liam McCallum, A Way Home Scotland
   This workshop will focus on the issue of youth homelessness, exploring who is most at risk, how we can most effectively support young people and the movement to end youth homelessness in Scotland.

C. What next for health and homelessness data linkage in Scotland
   Neil Hamlet, NHS Fife
   This will be an in-depth look at the implications of the 2018 report Health and Homelessness in Scotland and other projects to link housing, health and homelessness data sets. Participant will be able to contribute most effectively to this workshop if they are already aware of the report and its findings, and have thought about what it means for their work.

D. Healthy Finances: early intervention to reduce the risk of homelessness
   Gillian Reid, Shelter Scotland
   Shelter Scotland share what they have learned from a project with Deep End GP practices which involved early intervention to reduce the risk of homelessness arising from issues like anxiety and depression leading to financial problems such as debt and rent arrears.
Afternoon workshops

Choose one:

A. Time for Change - Qualified through Experience
   Project lead and trainees
   Time for Change is a Shelter Scotland project model designed by people who have ‘lived experience’ of homelessness. Trainee peer mentors are trained to take housing advice and support to the community and help those with the most complex needs, utilising their own experiences in navigating the system. This workshop will be co-delivered by current Trainees within the project.

B. The role of community nurses in delivering health services at the margins: a public health necessity
   Jessica Davidson, NHS Lothian
   Nurses are the largest staff group in NHS Scotland and many specialist services providing healthcare for the most excluded populations are led by nurses. This workshop highlights the contribution of community nurses, and looks particularly at the work of Edinburgh’s Health in Custody team.

C. Engaging with Gypsy/Travellers around health and wellbeing
   Dianne Williamson, NHS Fife
   This workshop will cover key issues affecting Gypsy/Travellers in Scotland, some of the barriers they can experience to accessing health care, and effective ways of engaging with Gypsy/Traveller communities around health and wellbeing.

D. Substance use: current trends and issues
   Austin Smith, Scottish Drugs Forum
   An update on the most recent evidence about substance use in Scotland and an overview of current issues, including the continuing increase in drug-related deaths.