



Press Release

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QNI learning event to focus on inclusive healthcare in the early years

The next free learning and networking event from the Queen's Nursing Institute's Homeless Health Programme is 'Inclusion Health in the Early Years' and will be on October 17th at Cloth Hall Court in Leeds.

It will focus on the health of vulnerable parents, carers and their children during pregnancy and up to the age of 2. In this context, the event will discuss potential vulnerabilities such as homelessness, asylum seeker/refugee status, being in prison, or being from a Gypsy, Traveller or Roma community.

This learning and networking day is open to all and will bring together nurses, allied health professionals and housing, care and homelessness professionals. Expert speakers will share their knowledge in a series of presentations with question and discussion time for delegates.

This event is aimed at nurses, GPs, midwives, paediatricians, social workers, health visitors, students, health sector educators, voluntary sector support charities.

The themes for the day will be:

- Access to maternity services
- Opportunities to improve parenting capacity
- Building peer support
- Health education for new mothers and fathers
- Better health care for vulnerable infants and babies
- The day will be chaired by Dr David Foster, QNI Council Member and former lead for the Department of Health Nursing and Midwifery Policy Unit.

Confirmed speakers include:

- Ailsa Swarbrick, National Unit Director, Family Nurse Partnership
- Hannah Yeomans, Project Manager, Derby Community Parent Programme, Ripplez CIC
- Dr Kathryn Johnson, Consultant Neonatologist, Leeds Teaching Hospital NHS Trust
- Kate Bulman, Health Education Lead Nurse, Oakhill Secure Training Centre
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There will also be refreshments, a hot buffet lunch and plenty of opportunities for networking and discussing these topics with other health and housing professionals from around the country.

People who attend will receive a certificate of attendance upon completing feedback. People can book a free place by email to hanna.mountford@qni.org.uk

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