

# Social care for children and families



This page explains how we support the development of social care for children and families.

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**This page explains how we support the development of social care for children and families.**

We support [Welsh Government's transformation of children's services programme](#).

We do this in four ways:

1. [by supporting the development of services using evidence and research](#)
2. [by enabling people to share good practice, and connecting professionals across Wales](#)
3. [by supporting people who provide social care to children to tackle challenges and explore ideas](#)
4. [by developing a workforce that's sufficient, well and skilled.](#)

These help us to:

- find out what matters to people when we design services, and involve them in that process
- see trends, which can help us design services that meet people's needs
- find out what could help us make services more sustainable or effective.

## **1. Supporting the development of services using evidence and research**

Find out more

## **Report: the experiences and outcomes of children and young people from Wales receiving Secure Accommodation Orders**

This report features the voices of children and young people sharing their experiences. It includes recommendations to improve the system of secure accommodation.

- [The experiences and outcomes of children and young people from Wales receiving Secure Accommodation Orders \(summary\)](#)
- [The experiences and outcomes of children and young people from Wales receiving Secure Accommodation Orders](#)

### **Residential child care worker resource**

A resource for residential child care professionals with essential information, case studies, data, and research, to support good practice.

### **Insight Collective - Social Care Wales**

Our dedicated research, data and innovation website. It's home to evidence summaries, reports and a data portal to help you make a difference to social care in Wales. It also explains our research priorities for this year.

### **Supporting positive outcomes in children's residential care: an evidence summary - Insight Collective**

Includes relevant and up-to-date research on how residential care can be delivered in a way that supports positive outcomes for children and young people.

## **2. Enabling people to share good practice, and connecting professionals across Wales**

Find out more

### **The Accolades**

The awards that recognise, celebrate and share notable work in social care and childcare, play and early years in Wales.

### **Communities of practice - Insight Collective**

Spaces for you to connect with other people, share knowledge and ideas, and create relationships across different sectors and across Wales.

## **3. Supporting people who provide social care to children to tackle challenges and explore ideas**

Find out more

### **Improving care and support in Wales**

Information, advice and resources to help you achieve what matters to the people you support.

### **Eliminating profit from social care - Welsh Government**

How Welsh Government will support a transition to not-for-profit models for looked after children in Wales.

## **4. Developing a workforce that's sufficient, well and skilled**

Find out more

### **Workforce strategy**

Explains how we'll support the social care workforce from 2022 to 2025.

### **Your health and well-being**

Information, advice and resources about managing your own well-being or the well-being of the people you manage. Includes *Your well-being matters: workforce health and well-being framework for social care, early years and childcare*.

### **Qualifications and funding**

Information about the qualifications and funding available to support people who want to work in residential child care.

### **Playfulness, acceptance, curiosity, and empathy (PACE) offer**

We have a training package for local authorities to upskill residential child care staff to use the PACE approach with the people they support. Training availability is subject to funding. Email

[\*\*residentialchildcare@socialcare.wales\*\*](mailto:residentialchildcare@socialcare.wales) for more information.

### **Guidance: registering a care home for children - Welsh Government**

How service providers can follow best practice to set up a care home service for children.

### **Working in children's residential care - WeCare Wales**

Explains different roles in residential children's care, and the skills, qualifications and experience you need.

## **Useful external links**

### **Basic income pilot for care leavers - Welsh Government**

Scheme to help care leavers receive a set amount of money from the government to cover basic needs.

### **Trauma Stress Wales - NHS Wales**

A national initiative to improve the health and well-being of people in Wales who are at risk of developing, or have developed, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) or complex post-traumatic stress disorder (CPTSD).

### **Trauma informed Wales framework - ACE Hub Wales**

Explains how individuals, families or other support networks, communities, organisations and systems take account of adversity and trauma, recognising and supporting the strengths of an individual to overcome this experience in their lives.