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Dear Network Members,

Please find below details of some new publications from NCB, as well upcoming events, consultations and surveys from other organisations. A job vacancy and funding opportunity are also included below.

# **New publications from NCB**



Working with children

for children

people with HIV testing and prevention

**Practice guidance: Supporting young** 

This <u>practice guidance</u> aims to enhance professionals' confidence at recognising and responding to potential risk of HIV infection for children and young people. The document is particularly intended for practitioners working outside health and HIV settings. It is applicable to practice with all children and young people, but particularly those who may be more vulnerable than others to HIV infection, or experience additional barriers to accessing services, due particular behaviours, circumstances or inequalities.

The practice guidance covers identification of a child or young person's need for HIV testing; referral for testing; support

throughout the process; support following a positive HIV diagnosis; ongoing management of risk for all young people; and addressing the impact of stigma.

Download the practice guidance <u>here</u>. Any sharing among your networks is much appreciated.

### **Other new publications**

### Children, Young People and Health Participation

This briefing provides a summary of NCB's learning from recent years, hearing what children and young people have told us is important to them. It covers key issues including; the culture of participation; right to information; involvement in personal healthcare decisions; access to high quality care and the right to complain.

### Delivering the Healthy Child Programme for young refugee and migrant children

This report discusses the barriers and enablers refugee and migrant families experience in promoting the health of their young children (from pregnancy to age 5). It explores how local authorities, in shaping their Healthy Child Programme 0-5, are addressing the needs of these young children and their families. The report makes recommendations for national and local government. See also our policy briefing, Local authorities' role in public health.

# Poverty and children's personal and social relationships

New research by the National Children's Bureau and the Centre for Longitudinal Studies for the Joseph Rowntree Foundation shows the damaging impact growing up in deprived households can have on children's friendships and family life. Read a <u>summary</u> of the findings or download the <u>full report</u>.

### Policy and evidence briefing on housing and the health of young children

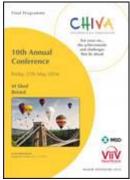
This briefing explores the main ways in which housing can impact on young children's health and highlights how these risks and needs will be evolving as a result of the current policy and financial landscape. It poses suggestions and questions about how voluntary, community and social enterprise organisations working with children and families, including housing associations, may want to adjust their offer in light of how these issues may be affecting their clients.

NCB publishes a range of resources and reports on children's health and social care issues. Find them <u>online</u> or subscribe to our <u>Voluntary Sector Children's Health Bulletin</u>.

# **Upcoming events**

### **CHIVA Conference on 27 May 2016**

It's not too late to register for the 10th Annual Conference of the Children's HIV Association (CHIVA) on Friday 27 May at M Shed in Bristol. The theme of this year's conference is *Ten years on... The achievements and challenges that lie ahead.* See the <u>conference web page</u> for the Final Programme and information on how to register.



### **Other events**

#### **NAT Policy Network Seminar**

1 June 2016 | London | Free

NAT (National AIDS Trust) is the UK's leading charity dedicated to transforming society's response to HIV. Its HIV Policy Network is a diverse group of voluntary sector organisations who work for or provide services to people living with HIV. NAT's annual Policy Network Seminar is a chance for members to network with colleagues across the sector, discuss one or two key HIV policy issues in depth, share experiences and influence NAT's policy and campaigns work for the coming year.

Membership of the Network is free; find out more <u>here</u>. To join and to access registration for the free seminar, email <u>policyandcampaigns@nat.org.uk</u>.

<u>CoramBAAF: Out of place – recognising, understanding and responding to the health needs of looked after</u> <u>refugee and trafficked children and young people</u>

#### 27 June 2016 | Birmingham | £126-300

This conference explores the health needs of unaccompanied asylum seeking refugee and trafficked children and young people. This conference will assist health, social care and education professionals to understand extraordinary experiences, appreciate the legal and human rights context, identify barriers and consider effective approaches to service delivery and support of these vulnerable children. Speakers include Dr Amanda Williams, Consultant Paediatrician and Specialist in Paediatric Infectious Diseases, who is also Chair of the Children's HIV Association (CHIVA).

## Surveys, consultations and campaigns

#### Survey: Free formula milk provision

#### Deadline: 27 May 2016

NAT is mapping free formula milk provision for mothers living with HIV across London, as part of a wider project to develop policy recommendations and lobby on easy access to free formula milk for mothers living with HIV. If you have detailed information about a free formula scheme in London, or can provide details about the level of need in an area without a scheme, please complete this <u>survey</u> by 27th May. Case studies of schemes outside of London are also welcome, separate to the survey. Contact Daniel at <u>daniel.vincent@nat.org.uk</u>.

#### **Department of Health Carers Strategy consultation**

#### Deadline: 30 June 2016

The Department of Health's upcoming Carers Strategy will set out what can be done to support informal or unpaid carers. To help develop the Strategy, the DH wants to hear from carers, those who have someone who cares for them, business, social workers, NHS staff and other professionals that support carers. A DIY consultation toolkit has also been developed for use with local groups, so that participants' views can be captured and submitted collectively. See the <u>consultation page</u> for details.

#### #WeExist campaign

NAT has launched the #WeExist campaign for LGBT inclusive sex education. Young LGBT people are more likely to experience poor sexual and mental health than their non-LGBT peers, yet SRE is not currently required to include information on same sex relationships or gender-variance. There are lots of ways to get involved including tweeting with #WeExist and writing to your MP. <u>Find out more</u>.

# Job opportunity

# Women's Project Co-ordinator -Positively UK

Hours: Full-time (35 hours per week), open to Job Share
Salary: c. £24,000 to £28,000 depending on experience
Base: London
Closing date: 31 May 2016 at 9 a.m.



Positively UK is recruiting a Women's Project Coordinator for its new project Positively Women. The project will build on the organisation's established and successful interventions to move women from a new HIV diagnosis, or a time of crisis, and critical need to a state of health and well-being, and self-management. The Women's Project Coordinator will work with a team of peer mentors to provide one-to-one assessment, case management, mentoring, skills and confidence building, advocacy and information sharing to tackle barriers to self-management and achieve optimum health and well-being.

This position is designated for someone who is diagnosed and living with HIV as an 'occupational requirement' under the Equality Act 2010.

To find out more and apply, see the job advert.

# **Funding opportunity**

### **HIV Prevention Innovation Fund**

#### Deadline for applications: 15 June 2016

Public Health England has announced an HIV Prevention Innovation Fund for 2016 to 2017 of up to £600,000, for local HIV prevention initiatives. Proposals are particularly welcomed that tackle diagnosis for both HIV and other sexually transmitted infections; stigma associated with HIV; other risky behaviours that can increase risk of contracting HIV such as drug and alcohol misuse; or the integration of HIV prevention into wider sexual and reproductive health. Applications are encouraged from voluntary sector organisations, supported by their local authority, for projects that target groups at high risk. Find out more here or email hiv.prevention@phe.gov.uk to register your interest.

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