

National Workshop for Prevention, Partnership and Family Support (PPFS)

15th & 16th
November 2017

Hotel Kilkenny

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Child and Family Agency

Introduction

Dear Participant,

Welcome to our 5th National Prevention, Partnership and Family Support Workshop (PPFS); *'Conversations across the Continuum of Care, Connecting to meet Needs and Achieve Outcomes'*. This year's Workshop brings together Tusla - Child and Family Agency staff and partners to discuss best practice in preventative work across the continuum of care.

The Workshop will focus on the importance of early intervention and prevention across the continuum of care that will aid the transformation of our work with children and families.

A great deal of good work has been taking place in Tusla through the PPFS programme to support children and families in realising their potential. The workshop will showcase examples of best practice across the continuum of care that support improved outcomes for children and families. I hope these initiatives will help and support all Tusla Child and Family Agency staff transform practices of how we work and engage with children and families.

The Workshop is grounded in the principals of reciprocity, relationship building and resilience building. These principals enable best outcomes for children and families in Tusla's work. An open and participative learning conference will thrive on such a basis.

Objectives of the Workshop are:

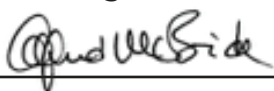
- To demonstrate progress in preventative work across the continuum of care.
- To illustrate the value of collaborative working and identify key evidence based outcomes to date.
- To highlight children and families' experience of preventative services.
- To connect practitioners across all levels of the continuum of care.

2017 is a crucial year for PPFS as we move to fully implement and further embed early intervention, prevention and partnership practice across Tusla activities. Thus, we affirm the work already underway and commit our support for the work into the future.

Over the next two days, we have an opportunity to learn from each other in the practices of how we work with children and families to improve their lives. I look forward to the discussions and conversations that will take place over the coming days that will progress the important work of PPFS in bringing about a stronger focus on our prevention and early intervention work.

I hope you enjoy the workshop and learn much that you find useful over the next two days.

Kind Regards



Fred McBride
Chief Executive
Tusla - Child and Family Agency

Agenda - 15th November

9.15	Registration and Networking / Tea and Coffee
10.00	<p>Norah Gibbons, Chairperson, Tusla Welcome & Introduction</p> <p>Fred McBride, Chief Executive, Tusla “Prevention, Partnership & Family Support - Positive Impact”</p>
10.30	<p>SESSION 1</p> <p>Kevin Webster - Senior PPFs Manager and Principal Social Worker, Dublin South East Wicklow Introduction</p> <p>Éimear Fisher - Assistant Secretary, Department Children and Youth Affairs “Prevention and Early Intervention - the Policy Context”</p> <p>Fergal Landy - Regional Implementation Manager for PPFs “Prevention, Partnership and Family Support, the Story so Far”</p> <p>Comments Q&A</p>
11.45	<p>Regional Workshops “Demonstrating good outcomes for children and families through the Meitheal model and Child & Family Support Networks”</p>
13.30	Lunch
14.30	Ossory Youth Music
14.45	<p>Bernard Barrett - National Research Office “Building Engaged Research for Prevention, Partnership and Family Support; Partnership with the National Research Office”</p>
14.55	<p>Dr. Carmel Devaney UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre, NUIG “The preliminary findings of the Meitheal Process and Outcomes Study”</p>
15.05	<p>SESSION 2</p> <p>Heather Wilson - Principal Social Worker for the Child Protection & Welfare Service - Mayo Introduction</p> <p>Cormac Quinlan - Director of Transformation and Policy, Tusla “The Child Protection & Welfare Strategy: Prevention, Participation and Landing them in Everyday Child Protection and Welfare Practice”</p> <p>Professor Andy Bilson - Emeritus Professor of Social Work, University of Central Lancashire Adjunct Professor, University of Western Australia “International Research and Trends in Child Protection”</p> <p>Comments Q&A</p>
16.45	<p>Light Refreshments Resilience, The Biology of Stress and the Science of Hope: A film by KPJR</p>
18.00	Close

Agenda - 16th November

9.30	<p>Norah Gibbons Introductions and Review</p>
9.45	<p>Dr Caroline McGregor - Professor of Political Science and Sociology (Social Work), UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre, NUI Galway "Reflections on Film Screening – the Study of Adverse Childhood Experiences"</p>
10.00	<p>Peggy Ryan and Sheila Moore - Regional Management Information Officers "Outcomes for Children, National Data & Information Hub"</p>
10.15	<p>Workforce Learning & Development "Prevention, Partnership & Family Support (PPFS) E-learning programme"</p>
10.25	<p>Tea/Coffee Break</p>
10.40	<p>Ossory Youth Music and The Drum Project</p>
10.55	<p>SESSION 3</p> <p>Jim Gibson - Chief Operations Officer, Tusla "Introduction"</p> <p>Professor Eric Fenner - Managing Director Casey Family Programs "Partnering for Better Outcomes"</p> <p>Audrey Warren - Interim Area Manager, Dublin South West/Kildare/West Wicklow "Putting Creative Community Alternatives into Practice"</p> <p>Comments Q&A</p>
12.40	<p>Guest Speaker Davie Philip Co-founder of Sustainable Projects Ireland Ltd.</p>
13.20	<p>Dr Aisling Gillen - Regional Service Director - West National Programme Lead for Development & Mainstreaming Programme for Prevention, Partnership & Family Support (PP&FS) Review & Close</p>
13.40	<p>Lunch</p>

Speaker Biographies



Norah Gibbons

Norah Gibbons is Chairperson of Tusla – Child and Family Agency. Norah worked for many years in social work in both the statutory and voluntary sectors in the UK and Ireland, before serving as Director of Advocacy with Barnardos from 2005 to 2012. Norah was a member of the Commission to Inquire into Child Abuse 2000-2009 and chaired the Confidential Committee of the Commission from 2000 to 2005 and the Roscommon Child Abuse Inquiry in 2009. She also co-chaired the Independent Child Death Review Group with Dr Geoffrey Shannon from 2011 to 2012.

For many years, Norah served as a member of the Board of Start Strong, a coalition of organisations and individuals committed to advancing high-quality care and education as a right for all young children in Ireland. She was also a member of the Taskforce on the Establishment of the Child and Family Agency. In 2016, Norah was elected President of Eurochild, a network of organisations and individuals working in and across Europe to promote the rights and well-being of children and young people.

Fred McBride was appointed Chief Executive of Tusla – Child and Family Agency in February 2016. Tusla was established on 1st January 2014 and is the dedicated State agency responsible for improving wellbeing and outcomes for children in Ireland.

As Chief Executive of the dedicated State Agency responsible for improving wellbeing and outcomes for Children, Fred manages over 4,000 staff and an operational budget of over €750 million. He is tasked with delivering the most comprehensive reform of Child Protection, early intervention and Family Support Services ever undertaken in Ireland. Prior to this, he served as the organisation's Chief Operations Officer from October 2013.



Fred McBride

Fred holds a MA Hons in History and Social Administration from Dundee University, 1983. His first job in the social work field was with Aberlour Trust and he returned to Dundee to complete a postgraduate diploma in social work in 1987.

Fred went on to work in a number of social work and service manager roles, and in 1998 became Head of Children and Families in Stirling Council, where he helped to create Scotland's first integrated children's services management structure. Fred returned to his native Dundee in 2005 as Head of Children's Services in the Social Work Department, where he remained until June 2009. He then took up post as Director for Social Care and Wellbeing at Aberdeen City Council.



Jim Gibson

Jim Gibson is Tusla's Chief Operations Officer. Jim is a native of Belfast and achieved Qualifications as a Social Worker from Swansea University in 1987. Jim has worked in several jurisdictions and has extensive experience as a Social Work practitioner and manager.

Jim joined the South Eastern Health Board in 1995 and held numerous front line management positions as the service transitioned into the HSE and currently Tusla.

Éimear Fisher has responsibility at Assistant Secretary level in the Department of Children and Youth Affairs for policy and legislative developments relating to child welfare and protection; alternative care; family support and related issues of children's rights; research and evaluation as well as leading policy innovation and cross-sectoral working in the area of children services.

A career civil servant, Éimear has worked in a wide range of posts from central Departments to State agencies, including a period as Deputy Director of the National Children's Office. In 2012 she was appointed as the first Executive Director of Cosc - the National Office for the Prevention of Domestic, Sexual and Gender-based Violence. Having established the office, led the development of the first National Strategy on Domestic Sexual and Gender-based Violence and led the implementation of that strategy for several years, Éimear then moved to head up the executive management of the Garda Inspectorate. Her work has focussed on agency reform and cross-sectoral working with particular regard to the impact on victims, most recently focusing on child sexual abuse.



Eimear Fisher

Éimear holds a master's degree in management practice from TCD, a diploma in Applied European Law from the Law Society of Ireland and a BA (UCD). She has also successfully completed several international programmes on leadership.



Dr Aisling Gillen has 15 years of clinical experience working as a Speech & Language Therapist in a variety of settings. She has worked as a Counsellor for Special Needs and in Quality Assurance, as a Disability Service Manager in Donegal and for 5 years as a Regional General Manager for Children's Services in the West of Ireland and established one of the precursors to the Children & Young People's Services Committees, the North-west Children & Young People's Committee.

Dr Aisling Gillen

Aisling has worked on a number of cross-border initiatives, the Outcomes for Children Project under Co-operation & Working Together, the Participation Project and more lately, the Hidden Harm Project. She has worked with the Department of Children & Youth Affairs (DCYA) on the establishment of the Working Together for Children initiative and with the Expert Advisory Group for Children in the Health Service Executive.

Aisling has worked as National Policy Development Manager for Family Support in Tusla Child and Family Agency, where she has co-authored a suite of policy, strategy and guidance documents on family support (supported by Atlantic Philanthropies and in partnership with the Child & Family Research Centre, NUI Galway). Aisling continues to work as Programme lead for the Development & Mainstreaming Programme for Prevention, Partnership & Family Support (PPFS). Aisling has an MSc in Innovation Management in the Public Sector, specialising in integration of children's services and a PhD in Linguistics, specialising in Children's Literature.

Cormac Quinlan is Director of Transformation and Policy in Tusla. Cormac has been a practising social worker and manager in child protection and welfare work since 1997. In addition, Cormac was a tutor with the Master Social Work Programme in TCD for many years and is currently a member of CORU Council and member of the Social Work Registration Board. A main area of interest for Cormac throughout his career has been practice development in the area of child protection, welfare and family support. Since joining the National Office, Cormac has been leading on a number of strategic programmes including the Child Protection and Welfare Strategy and the Alternative Care Strategy. As Director of Transformation and Policy, Cormac holds lead responsibility for policy, research, communications, the project management office and strategy and business planning.



Cormac Quinlan



Eric Fenner

Eric Fenner retired as the Executive Director of Franklin County Children Services in April of 2011. In 32 years of public service, Eric has worked 20 years in child welfare. Eric’s experience includes work as a Court Administrator for the Franklin County Juvenile Court, the Deputy Director of Franklin County Department of Jobs and Family Services and State Associate State Director of Ohio Youth Advocates. Eric became the first African American Executive Director for his final 5 years at Franklin County Children Services. He also served as President of the Board of Trustees for the Public Children Services Association of Ohio, and as a member of the Metropolitan Board of Trustees of the YMCA of Columbus Ohio.

Under Eric’s leadership, Franklin County launched several new initiatives aimed at increasing family engagement and assuring permanency for youth, including alternative response and team decision making. The result in Franklin County was a 29% reduction in the number of children in foster care over his last 3 years as the Executive Director.

Eric is presently a Managing Director at Casey Family Programs where he oversees a team of professional consultants and support staff who build relationships and provide technical assistance in support of child welfare systems in 14 states.

Andy is Emeritus Professor at the University of Central Lancashire where he is associate director of The Centre for Children and Young People’s Participation. He continues to work as a researcher and consultant promoting children’s rights and reform of child protection systems and is a member of the board of Hope and Homes for Children.

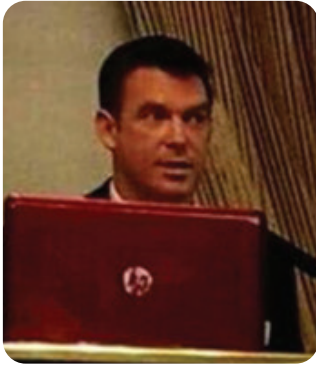


Professor Andy Bilson

Andy is a qualified social worker and has worked as a social worker and manager in many posts in the UK including Assistant Director in Fife Social Work Department and Assistant Director of Action for Children in Wales. From 1997 to 2001 he was Director of the Council of Europe’s and UNICEF’s Observatory on European children’s rights. He was Professor of Social Work at the University of Central Lancashire for over 10 years.

During the 1980s he campaigned to reform the juvenile justice system and was a founder of the Association for Juvenile Justice and involved in research undertaken by David Thorpe and colleagues at Lancaster University. Successful campaigns and changes in social work with young people and their families saw the number of children on care orders in England and Wales fall from 14,000 to under a 1000 and boys sentenced to detention centre and youth custody fall from around 7000 to 1000 a year.

Internationally he is known for his work on developing social work to combat the institutionalisation of children.



Fergal Landy

Fergal Landy is Regional Implementation Manager for Prevention, Partnership and Family Support for Tusla West. Previously he worked as a Research Associate in the UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre, NUI Galway, undertaking research, policy development and service design on child protection and family Support and in practice as a Community Development Worker and Child Protection Social Worker. He holds a degree in Social Studies and a Masters in international Law and Human Rights.

Bernard has been National Research and Information Specialist within Tusla's National Research Office full time since June 2016, where he has been involved with the development of the Tusla Research Centre, Research Ethics Committee Standard Operating Procedures and most recently a first draft of a reference paper on Open Science. Prior to this, he was working on the implementation of the National Child Care Information System in the mid-west, the pre-cursor to Meitheal before that, and on coming to Limerick in 2002, the researching and writing of evidence based policies and guidelines for the mental health services for eight years. A selection of his work can be seen on the Research Gate and Academia websites.



Bernard Barrett

From January he has been kindly invited to be a member of the PPFs Data and Information Working Group.



Dr Caroline McGregor

Caroline McGregor is Professor and Director of Social Work at NUI Galway. She is also a Senior Research Fellow at the UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre and is a member of the evaluation team for the Development and Mainstreaming Programme.

Caroline's current research interests include child protection and family support, child welfare policy and practice and practice based research.



Carmel Devaney

Carmel is a Lecturer and Course Director of the Master Degree in Family Support Studies in the UNESCO Child and Family Research Centre, School of Political Science and Sociology, at NUI Galway.

Carmel is Principal Investigator on a number of research and evaluation projects under the Partnership, Prevention and Family Support programme for Tusla, the Child and Family Agency. In recent years, Carmel has been lead researcher on a number of projects for Tusla and has designed and delivered a number of Family Support training initiatives for managers and practitioners.

Carmel has also worked for many years in children and family services as both a practitioner and manager. Carmel's recent publications and conference presentations are in the area of Family Support, child welfare and protection, and wellbeing. Carmel holds a BA in Social Studies (DIT), an MA in Family Support Studies (NUI Galway), and a PhD (NUI, Galway).

Audrey Warren, Interim Area Manager, KWW/DSW worked for a number of years as Senior Researcher with the Centre for Social and Educational Research and co-ordinated work on a number of national and European research projects relating primarily to children in care, youth justice and early years education.

She has worked with HSE since 2001 across a number of care groups including Children & Families, Mental Health and Disabilities. She has held the post of Regional Quality, Risk and Service Improvement Manager and more recently as Interim Area Manager for Kildare West Wicklow/Dublin South West. She continues to have a keen interest in the quality agenda and in research and evaluation and primarily where it is outcome focused and relates directly to practice.



Audrey Warren



Kevin Webster

Kevin Webster qualified as a social worker from Trinity College Dublin in 1984. After three years working with Haringey Social Services in London, he returned to Dublin where after some years in the community and voluntary sector he joined the Eastern Health Board in 1994. Kevin worked in Dublin North as duty social worker and family support co-ordinator and in Dublin South West as a Community Work Team Leader where he had a lead role in developing domestic violence services.

In 2013, Kevin became HSE Principal Social Worker in Wicklow and at the formation of Tusla in 2014 he took on the role of Senior PPFs Manager/PSW in Dublin South East/Wicklow including management of Child Welfare Social Work teams. During Kevin's time working in community development, he taught the Community Work module on both the BSS and MSW social work training programmes at Trinity College

Heather Wilson is the Principal Social Worker for the Child Protection and Welfare Service in Mayo. Heather qualified as a Social Worker with a Bsc (Hons) in Social Work out of the University of Ulster, where she later completed a Post Grad in Counselling and Guidance. Heather has an on-going interest in the area of child protection, and has worked in the area for over 20 years. She subsequently returned to education to undertake a Msc in Child Protection in Trinity College Dublin. Heather has worked in the area of Social Work Management for over 15 years and has a professional interest in the development of practitioners. She has been a Mentor in the 'Evidence Informed Practitioner' training for a number of years and recently trained as an Executive Coach.



Heather Wilson



Peggy Ryan

Peggy Ryan has been working in Children & Families Services since 2002. Peggy previously worked in the third level education sector for almost 20 years.

Peggy holds the brief for Data & Management Information across a range of TUSLA services and is based in the TUSLA West region. The brief involves local, regional and national responsibilities.

Peggy is co-leading the TUSLA Outcomes for Children National Data & Information Hub project along with her colleague Sheila Moore.



Sheila Moore

Sheila Moore joined the HSE, Children & Families Services in 2002, having previously worked in ICT / Business Training in the private sector.

Sheila currently holds the brief for Data & Management Information in Donegal and Sligo/ Leitrim/ West Cavan and is based in the TUSLA West region. The brief involves local, regional and national responsibilities.

Sheila was a member of the CAWT cross border project, Outcomes for Children and the associated Data & Information sub group.

Sheila is co-leading the TUSLA Outcomes for Children National Data & Information Hub project along with her colleague Peggy Ryan.

Davie Philip has been active promoting sustainable community in Ireland since 1996. In 1998 he was a founding member of FEASTA: the Foundation for the Economics of Sustainability www.feasta.org and in 1999 a co-founder of Sustainable Projects Ireland Ltd. the company behind the ecovillage project in Cloughjordan, Co. Tipperary where he is now based.



David Philip

He presently hosts events and facilitates groups working on collaborative approaches to help their localities flourish through the Community Resilience Programme at Cultivate Living and Learning, the trading name of the Sustainable Ireland Cooperative Society that he co-founded in 2000. In 2005 Davie was one of the original catalysts of the Transition Towns process and in 2009 he conceived and directed a 10 part TV series, The Powerdown Show, on how communities can do more for themselves. In 2011 he produced a short film on resilient communities called 'Surfing the Waves of Change,' that is on YouTube. From 2009 to 2011 he sat on the board of the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland and from 2010 to 2013 was a director of Grow It Yourself Ireland.

Davie is currently engaged as an advisor to 'Get Involved' a national awards scheme recognising community action run by Local Ireland, a network of local and regional newspapers, and is active in Cloughjordan Community Farm, Ireland's largest CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) project. He is a founding member of a new cooperative, Cloughjordan CoHousing, which is developing an affordable housing model.

Prevention, Partnership & Family Support Workshops

WORKSHOP 1

Nurturing Relationships through Nature - A joint Family Support and Foróige initiative. A creative response to compliment the journey through the Meitheal Model

Presenters: Aine Shanahan, (Senior Child & Family Network Coordinator, Interim),
Catherina O'Sullivan (Art Psychotherapist), Maire Kennedy (Foróige Project Worker)
Nick Lenane (Foróige Project Worker)

'Meitheal through the Early Intervention Team and Family Support.' (DNE)

Presenters: Catherine McManus (Child & Family Support Network Coordinator), Sandra
Crawley (Family Support Worker)

'The Changing Face of Family Support - how a Tusla Family Support Service is championing best practice along the continuum between Meitheal, Comhar and the Child Protection Social Work Service' (DML)

Presenters: Deirdre Grace (Family Support Coordinator, Kildare West Wicklow),
Caroline Sheehan (Family Support Coordinator, Dublin South West)

WORKSHOP 2

Meitheal Case Study - 'Supporting families living & parenting with a chronic physical illness' (WEST)

Presenters: Siobhan Duane (CFSN Coordinator), Grainne Costello
(Social Work Team Leader)

'The Young People At Risk Network and interagency Protocol - The Development of Community based approaches to working with Children at Risk -Learning for development of Networks & embedding of Meitheal' (DNE)

Presenters: David Little (Child & Family Network Coordinator Dublin North City),
Frank Mulvihill (YPAR Meitheal & Services Support Coordinator)

'The Benefits of the PPFs programme of work to families/staff & agencies.' (SOUTH)

Presenters: Nora Roberts, Kerina Foran and Julie Ryan
(Senior Child & Family Network Coordinators)

WORKSHOP 3

‘The impact of the good relationships & interconnectedness promoted through Meitheal & CFSNs on child outcomes in a rural Irish setting’ (WEST)

Presenters: Nicola Harvey (Child & Family Network Coordinator)

‘Embedding Educational Welfare - Practice in Tusla through the Meitheal process’ (DML)

Presenters: Jean Rafter, Regional Manager, EWS, DML) & Julie Cahill (Senior PPFS Manager, Kildare, West Wicklow)

‘Meitheal and Me’ - Vox Pop style presentation from Parents, Young People and Lead Practitioners experience of the Meitheal Model (SOUTH)

Presenters: Tony Kennedy & Joan Dunne
(Senior Child & Family Network Coordinators)

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You are in for a musical treat on both days of conference as we have some excellent young local musicians lined up for your listening pleasure. All are talented singer/songwriter/musicians and are members of local youth groups in Kilkenny, including Ossory Youth Project and the Drum Project. They have represented their projects and county at local and national competition level as musical acts and song writers. We are delighted to welcome these talented young people to our conference and to have the opportunity to hear some fantastic local musical performances.


We hope you will offer them a warm welcome!



Exhibitions

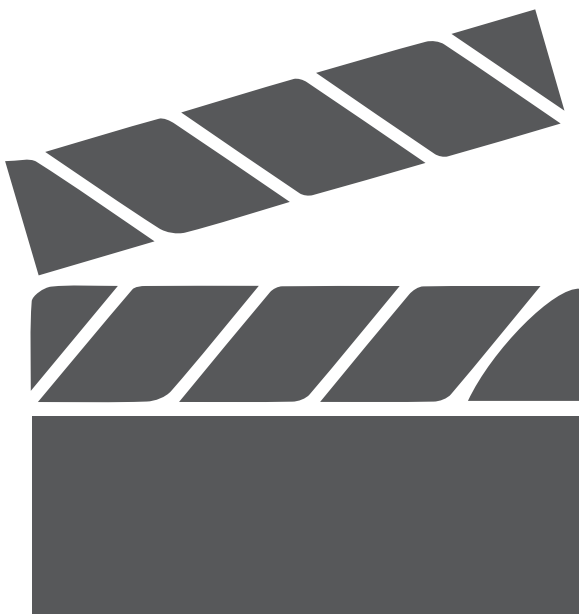
Name of Project	Description
 <p>National Research Office</p>	<p>The National Research Office is responsible for co-ordinating all research activity of Tusla through a range of initiatives and activities both intra organisationally as well as with the wider research community, including academic institutions, public and private research departments and independent researchers. Most of the work to date has been focussed on building the necessary research infrastructure for the organisation which includes a Research Ethics process, the establishment of Research and Information Mentors nationally, promoting a greater understanding of the relationship between research, information, knowledge and evidence and seeking to provide a range of electronic-based resources to Tusla staff and the wider public to strengthen and build research capacity and skills. The office seeks to work in partnership with all parts of Tusla and create the recognition that research is a fundamental and accessible component of everyday work and practice.</p>
 <p>Prevention, Partnership & Family Support (PPFS) E-learning programme pre-launch.</p>	<p>Workforce Learning & Development are delighted to showcase their new Prevention Partnership & Family Support E-learning briefing. The briefing will support learners to identify key features of Tulsa's Programme of Prevention Partnership and Family Support and the relevance to their work with children & families. Features include overview of the 5 key work streams within PPFS along with key messages of the programme from managers, trainers and practitioners. The Programme also includes endorsement from Prevention Partnership & Family Support Programme collaborators such as Atlantic Philanthropies, Tusla & NUI Galway.</p>

Name of Project	Description
 <p>The Irish Childhood Bereavement Network</p> <p><small>proudly supported by</small></p>  	<p>The Irish Childhood Bereavement Network (ICBN) is a network for those working with bereaved children, young people and their families in Ireland. Funded by Tusla and The Irish Hospice Foundation, its advisory group includes national bereavement care providers and representatives from child and adult hospitals, hospices and community based supports in Ireland. Bereaved Children’s Awareness Week runs from the 13th to the 19th November. This is an annual week hosted by the ICBN to recognise and highlight the needs of bereaved children. As the week coincides with Tulsa’s National Prevention, Partnership & Family Support Workshop in 2017, we thought it appropriate to highlight the work of this very important networking group</p> <p>The stand will highlight resources developed by the ICBN including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irish Childhood Bereavement Care Pyramid, a quick reference guide for those who are concerned with identifying and responding to the needs of a child or young person who is bereaved. • Standards for supporting Bereaved Children & Young People – copies of these new child-focused bereavement care guidelines will be available. <p>The stand will be manned by Deirdre Roche from Tusla’s Counselling funding section, who is a member of the ICBN Advisory Panel.</p>

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 <p data-bbox="384 257 608 324">An Ghníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach Child and Family Agency</p> <p data-bbox="132 347 639 414">Outcomes for Children, National Data & Information Hub</p>	<p data-bbox="716 246 1445 421">TUSLA in collaboration with the Department of Children & Youth Affairs (DCYA) are announcing the establishment of a new project, Outcomes for Children, National Data & Information Hub.</p> <p data-bbox="716 459 1436 633">This project is being advanced, building on the legacy of the Children & Family Services involvement in the border areas in the CAWT Outcomes for Children cross border project, Northern Ireland.</p> <p data-bbox="716 669 1431 947">This project will involve the building of an interactive area based geo mapping system to provide information for policy makers, service providers, TUSLA management, CYPSCs, practitioners, information managers and local communities so that planning and delivery of services are informed by the best available published data.</p> <p data-bbox="716 983 1404 1193">This project will involve training and support during all phases of the project including the operation of a geo mapping system, data interpretation, trend analysis and specific training in applying Outcomes Based Accountability (OBA) methodology.</p> <p data-bbox="716 1229 1436 1404">This project therefore offers a sustainable opportunity to provide a national standardised technical solution for mapping outcomes, indicators and services for children and young people.</p>

RESILIENCE: THE BIOLOGY OF STRESS & THE SCIENCE OF HOPE chronicles the birth of a new movement among pediatricians, therapists, educators and communities, who are using cutting-edge brain science to disrupt cycles of violence, addiction and disease. “The child may not remember, but the body remembers.” The original research was controversial, but the findings revealed the most important public health findings of a generation. **RESILIENCE** is a one-hour documentary that delves into the science of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and the birth of a new movement to treat and prevent Toxic Stress. Now understood to be one of the leading causes of everything from heart disease and cancer to substance abuse and depression, extremely stressful experiences in childhood can alter brain development and have lifelong effects on health and behavior.

However, as experts and practitioners profiled in **RESILIENCE** are proving, what’s predictable is preventable. These physicians, educators, social workers and communities are daring to talk about the effects of divorce, abuse and neglect. And they’re using cutting edge science to help the next generation break the cycles of adversity and disease.



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